

WEATHER FORECAST

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday:
Victoria and vicinity—Easterly to
southerly gales, unsettled and mild, with
rain.

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VICTORIA, B.C., MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1923

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal—The Bond Boy.
Capitol—Wild Bill Hickok.
Dominion—Stephen Street Out.
Columbia—The Man Who Won.
Playhouse—Thoughtless Women.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

PREMIER DISCUSSES HIS PLANS WITH KING GEORGE

COMMISSIONER GOES ON WITH SESSIONS OF THE POLICE INQUIRY

Attorney-General Manson Not Represented at Resumed Hearing of Charges Against R.C.M.P. Narcotic Squad in Vancouver To-day; No Provincial Police There

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—Apparently Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General of British Columbia, who formulated the charges against the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, which are being investigated by Commissioner J. P. Smith, K.C., has washed his hands of the commission entirely. C. L. Harrison, of Victoria, counsel for Mr. Manson, withdrew from further participation in the inquiry when Commissioner Smith would not accede to his request to recall J. J. Wing, a notorious narcotic trafficker now serving a penitentiary term, to the witness stand. The Commissioner announced that he would continue the inquiry without Mr. Harrison, and this morning reconvened the sittings at the courthouse here to probe the circumstances surrounding the arrest of P. W. Eccles, Frank Fernandez and W. L. Smith in Victoria. The Commissioner found on mounting the bench that he had been deserted by even the attendant Provincial Police who had previously preserved order and acted as ushers in the courtroom.

Undismayed by this final mark of the disapproval of the Attorney-General, the Commissioner continued the conduct of the inquiry, summoning the witnesses himself and asking spectators to shout the names in the corridors of those who were not present in the room.

CUSTOMS MAN TESTIFIED
The testimony given this morning was largely a repetition of that given at the police court trials of Eccles, Fernandez and Smith in Victoria, following their arrest by customs officers on August 24. Customs Officer George E. Norris was the principal witness, telling how he, assisted by a taxicab driver and a clergyman, had effected the arrest of Eccles in a prominent street at the point of a revolver.

Mr. Norris said he had been told to watch the men, two of whom he knew to be officers of the Mounted Police, by Inspector J. C. Barton, of Vancouver, who with Customs Officer Norman De Graves had arrived in Victoria in an aeroplane.

TOLD OF CHASE
The story of the chase through the streets of Victoria after the automobile of Fernandez, which had come over on the afternoon boat on August 23 from Vancouver, and the all-night watch maintained on the car by customs officers and members of the R.C.M.P. in Victoria, who eventually took part in the arrest of their brother officers from Vancouver, was told by Mr. Norris and A. E. Popham, also an employee of the Customs Department.

**PRIME MINISTERS
TO VISIT CANADA**
Massey is to be in Ottawa About Christmas
Bruce in Canada Latter Half of January

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—The Prime Ministers of Australia and New Zealand, both of whom attended the Imperial Conference in London, will visit Canada in the near future. Premier Massey, of New Zealand, is expected in Ottawa about Christmas, and Mr. Bruce, of Australia, is expected to arrive in Ottawa about January 30. Official announcement of his itinerary has not yet been made.

Premier Bruce, of Australia, will spend the latter half of January in Canada, and it is understood will visit the larger cities of the East. He is expected in Ottawa about January 30. Official announcement of his itinerary has not yet been made.

**Italian Senate Has
Ratified New Trade
Pact With Canada**

Rome, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press Cable).—The Italian Senate has ratified the Italo-Canadian Commercial Treaty.

**Early Election in
Italy Anticipated;
Session is Ended**

Rome, Dec. 10.—A decree closing the present parliamentary session has been signed by King Victor Emmanuel. It was officially announced this afternoon.

An earlier dispatch said it was believed in political circles that the session would be followed by dissolution, and the election of a new Chamber of Deputies.

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LATE JOHN HERBERT TURNER

FORMER PREMIER DIES IN ENGLAND

J. H. Turner Had Been Premier, Agent-General and Mayor of Victoria

Was a Foremost Figure in This City For Nearly Forty Years

The death occurred at his residence at Richmond, near London, England, yesterday afternoon of John Herbert Turner, former Premier and Agent-General of British Columbia.

Despite his great age, Mr. Turner was able to go out until quite recently. His last appearance in public was at the annual meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade at his residence last summer, during their tour in England.

When Mr. J. E. Wilson was in England recently he visited Mr. Turner and found him in excellent spirits, and mentally as alert as ever. He inquired about people and things here, and showed a grasp of conditions remarkable in a man who had passed his ninetieth year. A man of remarkable capacity for making friends, Mr. Turner retained a wide circle of acquaintances into the evening of life.

John Herbert Turner was the son of John Turner, of Ipswich, England, and was born on May 7, 1833, at Claydon, near Ipswich. He was educated at Whitstable, near Canterbury, and left England in 1856 for Halifax, Nova Scotia. After residing there for two years, he moved to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and established himself in business as a merchant. There he married Miss Elizabeth Ellbeek, of Whitehaven, England.

CAME HERE IN 1862
Determining to come to West, Mr. Turner set out for B.C. in 1862. He reached Victoria on July 2, 1862, just one month before the city was incorporated, with which he was destined to be so actively associated. He arrived on board the Steamer Oregon, in company with a large number of gold seekers, and entered zealously into the life of the young community, establishing in 1865 the business which has since grown into the extensive mercantile firm of Turner, Beaton & Co., of which he was for many years the head.

His first public work was done in connection with the militia, and in mentioning his share in the establishment of the Vancouver Island Volunteers, it might be stated that prior to that time, while living at Charlottetown, he took a principal part in the organization of the first volunteer rifle corps, which in company with others, to the number of one thousand strong, formed the military welcome to the Prince of Wales, afterwards Edward VII., on his visit to the island in 1869.

In the corps here he passed through all ranks from private to lieutenant-colonel, retiring in 1882, his commission being signed by the Marquis of Lorne, then Governor-General.

HIS PUBLIC WORK
His association with the public life of the city dates from 1864, when he became active in the establishment of a hospital. In 1869 he was appointed by Governor Seymour a

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**Thieves Frightened
Away by Cries of
Woman For Help**

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 10.—Attempting to steal a bedroom window with a pole to which a bent nail was attached, thieves caught the hook in the hair of Mrs. Richter at an early hour this morning and were frightened away by her cries for help. The purse was hanging at the top of the bed.

Five Miners in Pennsylvania Pit Lost Their Lives

Seranton, Pa., Dec. 10.—Officials of the Mount Jesup Coal Company mine at Jessup have given up hope that any of the five men trapped in by a fall of the roof Saturday, are alive. The men believed to have been crushed by the great mass of rock that fell.

C.P.R. PARTY COMING

The Canadian Pacific Railway official party, headed by Grant Hall, of Montreal, vice-president, will arrive here on Wednesday morning. It numbers four in personnel. It is possible that Vice-president D. C. Coleman may also arrive on the same date. City officials wish to hold a conference with Mr. Coleman in connection with the Amusement Centre agreement.

DRASTIC LAWS TO SAVE FUR ANIMALS; PREVENT ALIENS FROM TRAPPING

Drastic measures to conserve British Columbia's fur-bearing animals from total extinction and to revive the fur industry are contained in legislation which will be introduced in the Legislature this week by Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, it was made known at the Parliament Buildings to-day.

Under Mr. Manson's amendments to the Game Act, no aliens, except bona fide farmers, will be allowed to trap fur-bearing animals. All trap lines in the Province will be registered and the trapper will be placed in the position of a game conservation official. He will have to prove his right to his trapping area and observe the law strictly in conserving game there. In return for this he will be protected against the inroads of other trappers.

Mr. Manson's legislation follows the investigation of fur conditions carried on last summer by the Game Conservation Board under Mr. E. Jackson, K.C., chairman. These investigations showed that fur-bearing animals in this Province have been so depleted that trappers and fur traders are strongly in favor of drastic conservation measures like that provided for in the new legislation framed by Mr. Manson. It is hoped that the new regulations will put the fur industry back on the basis prevailing in the days when Indians did most of the trapping. The Indians, it is recalled, always endeavored to conserve the country's fur.

CONFISCATE PELTS
Mr. Manson's new legislation also provides that no person may have any un-prime pelts of fur-bearing animals in his possession. All such skins will be subject to confiscation. Minimum firearms license for aliens will be \$10 instead of the \$2.50 minimum at present in effect.

Indians will be allowed to shoot only male deer over a year in age for food purposes. At present Indians may shoot any deer over a year old for food.

Big game hunters in future will have to be accompanied by guides. The Game Conservation Board will license all guides and before securing licenses guides must prove themselves thoroughly acquainted with game conditions. This regulation, it is believed, will prevent the reckless slaughter of Big game.

All pump guns must be permanently plugged under Mr. Manson's Game Act amendments.

CALVIN COOLIDGE SEEKS RE-ELECTION

Candidate For Nomination For U.S. Presidency

Washington, Dec. 10.—President Coolidge is definitely seeking the Republican nomination for President in 1924. Announcement of Mr. Coolidge's candidacy was made last night while party leaders were gathering in the capital for the annual meeting of the Republican National Committee and three days after he had outlined his policies in his first message to Congress.

The announcement was made by Frank W. Stearns of Boston, known as the President's closest personal and political friend, through a statement issued by James B. Reynolds, former secretary for the Republican National Committee, who directed Mr. Coolidge's campaign in 1920.

U.S. ATTITUDE CAUSE OF BARRING OF FISHING VESSELS BY CANADA

Ottawa, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press).—Reasons why the Canadian Government decided to discontinue modus vivendi licenses to United States fishing vessels is outlined in an official memorandum issued to-day. It states that in continuing the policy effective since 1892, the Canadian Government has been influenced by the hope that the United States Government would ultimately recognize that Canada was entitled to some compensation for the privileges extended to United States vessels in Canadian ports. But in this hope Canada had been disappointed. The United States Government had not only not made provisions for restoration of the agreement of 1918, but by tariff provisions had imposed added duties upon Canadian fish.

BRITAIN AWAITS STATEMENT BY BALDWIN TO-MORROW AS TO COURSE MINISTRY WILL TAKE

LORD SHAUGHNESSY, ILL IN MONTREAL, REGAINS STRENGTH



Montreal, Dec. 10.—Returning home after taking part in the opening of the new Knights of Columbus Hall here, Lord Shaughnessy was taken suddenly ill last evening and has been under the care of his physicians since. His condition is reported as considerably improved to-day.

NINE WERE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

Rear End Collision Yesterday at Forsythe, N.Y.

Twentieth Century Limited Struck Another Train

Forsythe, N.Y., Dec. 10.—Eight passengers and a Pullman porter were killed and approximately thirty passengers and trainmen were injured, five seriously, when the last section of the New York Central's Twentieth Century Limited, westbound, telescoped the observation car and Pullman car of another train in a rear-end collision yesterday morning.

Six bodies were taken to Erie, Pa., on a relief train which reached the scene ahead of the wrecking crews. Three more bodies, extricated when torches had cut through the crushed car, were taken to Fordonia, N.Y. W. S. ("Bill") Donovan, manager of the New Haven, Conn., baseball club of the Eastern League, lost his life.

Forsythe is thirty-five miles east of Erie, Pa.

Two Killed and Twenty Wounded in Athens Clash

Athens, Dec. 10.—Two persons were killed and twenty wounded in a clash yesterday at a royalist mass meeting between Royalists and Republicans. Troops restored order.

Improvement in Condition To-day of W. S. Fielding

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—The condition of the Right Hon. W. S. Fielding, is reported improved by his physician. It is considered probable, however, that the veteran Minister of Finance will be forced to take a rest before resuming his official duties.

ONTARIO DAIRY SCHOOL TAKES PRIZE AT GLASGOW FAIR

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 10.—Word has been received that the Eastern Dairy School at Kingston has been awarded first prize at the Glasgow Fair, at which butter exhibited from every part of the British Empire.

Reported Premier Did Not Tender Resignation to King To-day and Will Ask Cabinet to Continue in Office Till Parliament Meets; Suggestion Ramsay MacDonald Form Ministry More Widely Discussed

London, Dec. 10.—Premier Baldwin arrived in London from Chequers Court this morning and shortly before noon had an audience with the King at Buckingham Palace. Previously the Premier had received brief visits at No. 10 Downing Street from Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the Postmaster-General; Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Ronald McNeill, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and B. M. Byres-Monsell, Chief Government whip.

Mr. Baldwin's visit to King George aroused much speculation. The Central News says it has learned "from well-informed sources that the purpose of Mr. Baldwin's visit was to give His Majesty his views and intentions regarding the political situation following the general election. Mr. Baldwin did not tender his resignation and it is understood he will inform the Cabinet to-morrow that he is prepared to retain the reins of government until Parliament meets next month."

EFFORTS TO PREVENT TRIANGULAR FIGHTS

Political Parties in Britain Discuss Problem Following Election

London, Dec. 10.—Although opinions may vary as to the proper solution of the administration problem created by the general election of last week, there is one point on which almost all are agreed, namely, the necessity of finding some way by an alternative vote or proportional representation to prevent triangular contests.

In the 1922 general election these triangular contests mainly favored the Conservative Party. It was probably this consideration which made the Conservative Government indifferent to any reform of the electoral laws, but this year, although the Conservatives still did the best in these contests, the Laborites did better than they had done before in the contests, securing sixty-nine seats by minority votes as compared with fifty-four secured by the Conservatives and forty-eight by the Liberals. As showing the enormous importance of these three-cornered contests, out of 178 seats which changed hands in the election eighty were in triangular contests. The realization that nothing could be predicted as to how these contests would go and that they cannot always be considered as favoring the same side has led to the expectation to include a general desire for a reform before another election is held.

It is remarkable that, although Labor's total poll in the election last week was only about 200,000 more than their poll in 1922, they secured 178 seats against 143 in 1922. This was due much better than they themselves had expected.

The present stalemate, with the three parties in such nearly equal strength as to prevent any of them from forming a stable administration, gives opportunity for a solution said to have been long in the mind of Mr. Lloyd George. This solution would be a measure to obviate the objections to a coalition. It involves the creation of a new "centre party," formed from the more moderate elements of the Conservative and Liberal parties, and is an idea which might appeal to a very large number of men of both those parties, who desire above all things to prevent a Labor Government.

DR. S. D. SCOTT DIED IN VANCOUVER

Was Head of Editorial Staff of Daily Province

Wrote With Unusually Close Knowledge of Canadian Affairs

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—Dr. Snowden Dunn Scott, seventy-two, a Canadian journalist and author, died suddenly at his home here, 395 Fourteenth Avenue West, at 2:30 p.m. yesterday after a month's illness from heart trouble.

Twenty minutes before his death he had been at work at his typewriter, and upon being announced had gone down suddenly ill and returned upstairs to his room. Death followed about ten minutes later.

He was first stricken with his last illness on November 11, following war memorial unveiling ceremonies in Wesley Methodist Church, in which he had taken part. His condition improved slowly, and he continued to write, accomplishing his work at home.

FUNERAL TO-MORROW

Burial will take place to-morrow after a service at 2:30 p.m. in the Mount Pleasant Methodist Church, Rev. O. M. Sanford officiating. Besides his widow, Dr. Scott is survived by four sons—Sidney, on the Province staff; Cecil, at home; Gordon, a lawyer, and Morley, on the staff of the University of Michigan. His only daughter, Alice Scott, teaches V.A.D. work to the returned soldiers in Shaughnessy Military Hospital.

CONSERVATIVES IN BRITISH HOUSE 261; LABOR ELECTED 185

London, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press Cable).—The latest standing of the parties in the new House of Commons, with six seats to be heard from, is as follows: Conservatives 261; Labor, 185; Liberals, 161; other parties, 12. Total, 609.

With reference to the six ridings not yet heard from, there is to be a by-election in West Derbyshire owing to the death of the Liberal candidate, C. F. White, before the election; polling in some of the universities is still open, and returns from the Western Isles and Orkney are not yet in.

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FOOTBALL CUP WON

London, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press Cable)—Arsenal won the London Association Football Cup final to-day from Charlton Athletic by three to one. In a second division soccer game to-day, Stockport defeated South Shields by three to two.

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Fancy Jap Oranges, per box	65c	Selected Picnic Ham, per lb.	20c
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CITIZENS REGRET EX-PREMIER'S END

Tributes to Memory of J. H. Turner, Pioneer Resident

Many expressions of sympathy were voiced with the family and relatives of the late John Herbert Turner, former Premier and Agent-General, when the news became known to-day.

PREMIER'S TRIBUTE

"With his death there is snapped another of the few remaining links with the pioneer legislators of British Columbia," said Premier Oliver to-day. "He sat in the fifth Parliament after Confederation; we are now in the fifteenth. He has had the good fortune to pass away in the fullness of his years, maintaining unimpaired the honor and respect due to himself in his years of public service, first as Premier and afterwards as Agent-General for this Province."

CABINET COLLEAGUE

Mr. Justice Eberhart, on being acquainted with the passing of Mr. Turner, described him as a man of the highest type, a noble Christian gentleman. He had known Mr. Turner intimately since 1878, when he learned to value his qualities during a holiday on the Cowichan River, near the Skutz Falls, in which Mr. Turner was one of a party of four. The late Agent-General, his Lordship said, was a first-class sportsman and fisherman, and as one who had known him intimately for forty-five years in business and in politics, he could not say too much in his praise. His Lordship was a member of the Turner administration from 1882 to 1895 as Attorney-General, and again in the same office in the Dunsmuir ministry, in which Mr. Turner was Finance Minister, and he declared to-day no colleague could be more loyal or worthy of esteem.

MAYOR'S SENTIMENT

Mayor Hayward spoke with appreciation of one of his predecessors in the chair, so long ago now that the whole of his municipal colleagues except Charles E. Redfern, have passed to the Beyond. His Worship said Mr. Turner brought to Victoria high principles of mercantile probity and zeal for public service, which marked him from the first as one to rise to the highest post in the city of this Province. He had founded one of the most stable businesses here, and had earned throughout his long career, the respect and affection of the community in a very special way.

MR. KIRK'S TRIBUTE

"I knew the late J. H. Turner for upwards of thirty-eight years, and was identified with him in the partnership for thirty-one years," stated G. A. Kirk, Managing Director of Turner, Beaton & Company, in voicing an appreciation today to the memory of the former premier. "He was an able man, and one of the most even tempered that I have ever known. His interests were largely political, but he was a brilliant conversationalist and in his later years remarked for his entertaining reminiscences of his long life in the city. He was a man of great energy, and though then eighty-eight years of age his memory was as bright as ever. He liked to rise to the highest post in the city of this Province, and his recollections were intensely interesting. He will be remembered by those of the pioneer age, and is survived by a family, if any, contemporaries in business."

FORMER PREMIER DIES IN ENGLAND

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member of the tariff commission. In 1876 he was elected an alderman of Victoria, re-elected in 1877 and 1878, and was mayor in 1879, 1880 and 1881. He was chairman of the British Columbia Benevolent Society, and also of the Royal Hospital during the whole of his mayoralty, and was chairman of the B.C. Agricultural Society for 1881 and 1882.

IN PROVINCIAL POLITICS

In the general election of 1886, Mr. Turner was elected to represent the city of Victoria in the Provincial legislature, and joined the Government of the Hon. A. B. Davis, in 1887, being re-elected in August of that year, after having accepted the portfolio of Minister of Finance and Agriculture. At the general election of 1890, he was again returned for the city of Victoria, and occupied the position of Finance Minister in the Government of the Hon. John Robson. In 1894, he was once again elected by his constituents, and in the Cabinet of which the Hon. The Hon. Davis was Premier, he continued to administer the finances of the Province.

March, 1895, on the resignation of the Premier by the Hon.

Dr. Scott was the son of the late John C. Scott, of Parrsboro, N.S., and was born January 6, 1851, in New Brunswick. He attended Mount Allison University and Dalhousie University, and by dint of hard work outside college he managed to secure the financing of his university education. In 1880 he got his B.A. degree and in 1880 at Mount Allison he took his M.A. degree. In 1881, two years ago he was honored with the degree of LL.D. by Mount Allison, his Alma Mater.

Dr. Scott married Miss Emma Wood, of Amherst, N.S.

He had a long and brilliant career as a journalist. He paid some of his college expenses by working on maritime time during the summer holidays, and, in addition, gained experience which made him editor of the *Chapin Post* in 1882. He went to the *Chapin Post* in 1882, where he was to be editor until 1885. Then for twenty-one years Dr. Scott filled the chair of editor-in-chief of the *St. John Daily Standard*, and then in 1910 he came to Vancouver to be editor of the *Vancouver News-Advertiser*. Later he joined the staff of the *Vancouver Daily Province*.

He was the author of "William Cobbett and his times" and many other historical papers.

In politics he was a Conservative and in religion a Methodist, having been a member of the board of the Mount Pleasant Church for more than ten years.

UNIVERSITY WORK

Appointed one of the first members of the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia, he was honorary secretary of it since 1913. He was a member of the Ryerson College Board, the governing body of the Methodist Theological College here, for several years, acting as chairman this year.

One of Dr. Scott's oldest friends in Canada is Colonel Markham, of 210 Arbutus Street, Vancouver. With the late Senator W. R. Thorne, Colonel Markham and Dr. Scott owned the *Journal Daily* for many years. Colonel Markham had known Dr. Scott for more than thirty-five years and says of him: "No man had a better knowledge of politics than Dr. Scott. No man was better acquainted with the public men of Canada."

When in Ottawa years ago, Dr. Scott was an intimate friend of Sir Robert Borden and of Sir George E. Foster.

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OLIVER AND BOWSER BOTH DENY TUPPER'S P.G.E. "SLUSH FUND" CHARGES

Charges made by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper in Vancouver that Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines and W. J. Bowser, Leader of the Conservative Party received \$50,000 apiece from promoters of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway prior to 1916 were flatly denied Saturday by Premier Oliver and Mr. Bowser.

"So far as I have any knowledge of the matter there is no truth in the allegations," the Premier declared when he was asked for a statement on the Tupper charges.

"I received no money from the Pacific Great Eastern Railway at any time," Mr. Bowser declared. "There is no truth in the statement."

Mr. Sloan will reply to the charges this afternoon on the floor of the Legislature.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper made his charges at the Provincial Party's convention in Vancouver.

The list of charges, which cover some ten or twelve closely printed pages, opens by stating that in the years 1915 and 1916 the financial affairs of the P. G. E. had become seriously involved and that to secure the good will of the representatives of Conservative and Liberal party in the Legislature, those interested in the railway made gifts of money to representatives of both parties to the sum of \$50,000 of the funds of that company or its contractors or others interested with them being drawn from the Union Bank and paid to W. J. Bowser, then a minister of the Crown.

An approximate equal sum, the statement continues, was also drawn from the Union Bank and paid to William Sloan, then a candidate in the Liberal interest and non-minister of Mines for the Province.

"As a result of these two payments the promoters of the P. G. E. Railway Company," the statement goes on, "were assured of protection in any event of the ensuing election, and, as a result of such contributions, protection and favorable treatment have been fully accorded."

Sir Charles intimated that the Lieutenant-Governor might act upon the request of the Provincial Party and formally ask the Oliver Government to appoint a Royal Commission to investigate P. G. E. affairs. In the event of the Government refusing to act upon his request, Sir Charles said, the Lieutenant-Governor could demand the Government's resignation and could call upon a new party to form a government. This, of course, would mean an election on the issue involved.

REVOLUTIONISTS IN MEXICO REPORT THEY ARE MAKING GAINS

Vera Cruz, Dec. 10.—Jalapa, capital of the State of Vera Cruz, has fallen into the hands of the revolutionary forces.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 10.—The military forces of Nuevo Laredo took over that city yesterday and placed it under martial law. All De La Huerta officials were deposed and supplanted by Oregon men, according to reports, which state that General Huerta also was relieved. The establishment of martial law was done quietly and without demonstration.

New York, Dec. 10.—A dispatch to The New York American from Mexico City quotes President Obregon as saying:

"The movement just started by General Estrada and Sanchez and inspired by Senor De La Huerta lacks importance. It is purely a military movement which will be suppressed in a comparatively short time by the Government of which I have the honor to be head."

NO TRAPS

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 10.—Direct rail communication between Juarez and Mexico City has been severed, according to passengers who arrived here from Juarez, where a train that left the border was turned back. Revolutionists have blown up a section of the line at Canitas, Zacatecas, 515 miles north of Mexico City, travelers were informed.

COMMISSION GOES ON WITH SESSIONS OF THE POLICE INQUIRY

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CREPT THROUGH BUSHES
On the following afternoon the Fernandez car was followed to Beacon Hill. It was testified, Norris with a taxicab driver named Hunt, crept through the bushes of Beacon Hill and observed Fernandez and Eccles standing near some bushes. The car drove away and the witness was joined by Staff Sergeant Jones of the R.C.M.P. and another officer. They searched the bushes and found several pieces of string, a torn bit of an Oriental paper, a piece of black oilcloth, which he at first thought was a mask, but a bit more.

AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS

That same evening he and Andrews, another customs man, had followed Eccles to the corner of Vancouver Street and Rockland Avenue, where they stopped him and said they wanted to search him. Eccles objected, saying that it was a "pretty pass" when a police officer is searched in the street by customs men. It was testified, Andrews drew a gun, and under threat Eccles consented to be searched. His revolver and flash light were confiscated, and a packet of documents was also taken. Eccles protested that he had an appointment that he must keep, but Norris and Andrews refused to permit him to go. "We will take you to the police station," said Norris. "We will take you to the police station," said Norris.

FORCED HIS WAY

Leaving the Minister and Andrews in charge of Eccles, the witness, Norris, said he went out and secured the services of a taxicab driver named Hunt. Together they went to the Strathcona Hotel, where Fernandez and W. L. Smith were in their room. "Smith was standing in the door. He closed it as we came along," said the witness, "but I forced my way in with a gun."

W. L. Smith was sarcastic, witness stated, telling the witness that Mounted Policemen did not need guns to make arrests. He told the Customs men that he had been watching Corporal Harvey of the R.C.M.P. who was working in conjunction with the Customs officers who were in the room for two hours. "Why don't you call in Harvey and your long stool pigeon to assist you?" he said, according to Mr. Norris.

Fernandez was also scornful, and rolled a cigarette while he cursed the witness in colorful language, according to the evidence. He said there were two bags in the room. One of these, on examination, proved to be filled with fifty tins of opium.

BATTALION OF DEATH

Venice, Dec. 10.—Five hundred women of Muarno, the little island town a mile north of Venice, where the world-famous Venetian glass is made, have organized themselves into a "battalion of death" to save the town from being absorbed by the Venice Government.

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Foot and Mouth Disease is Spreading in England

London, Dec. 10.—(Canadian Press Cable).—Twenty thousand animals have been cremated in Cheshire owing to the epidemic of foot and mouth disease, which is still spreading, especially in Cheshire. Farmers are cancelling social engagements and farmer members of various public bodies are abstaining from attending at meetings for fear of carrying infection.

The famous Smithfield Stock Show was held to-day and owing to the conditions, a number of animals on exhibit were slaughtered immediately. Notwithstanding the epidemic, the entries in every class were increased over those of last year.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Kiwanis Club, with an election of officers, will take place at the Dominion Hotel, tomorrow, when business will be given priority over other matters at the regular luncheon period. The luncheon is timed for 12:15 p.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Saanich Women's Institute will hold a dance on Tuesday, evening, December 11, in their hall at Sluergut's Station; Fidler's orchestra. Admission 50c.

"A Joyful Thanksgiving"—Singer's beautiful cantata will be given at Knox Church, Stanley Avenue, by the choir and assisting artists on Friday evening, December 14. Silver collection.

Carpet bowling, men's Winter pastime, held every Monday evening at 7:45 at St. Mark's Hall, Boleston Rd. Come and enjoy an evening sport.

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POLICE AGAIN HOLD MAN WHO ESCAPED

J. D. Lockwood, Toronto, Ex-Policeman, in Sault Ste. Marie Jail

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 10.—J. D. Lockwood, the Toronto, ex-policeman who escaped from the Port Arthur and other jails and some weeks ago started the country by disappearing from the steamer Huronic while the vessel was on her way from Duluth to Fort William, was arrested yesterday at Pickford, Mich., and is now in the jail on this side of the river, having been brought over by police of this Ontario town.

Lockwood says that after leaving Duluth aboard the Huronic, he crawled through the stateroom window, went to the forward part of the ship and down narrow stairs, where he jumped over a balcony near where a man was engaged in cooking and hid in a locker. From there he later got into the coal chute and finally into the bunkers, where he hid.

BOYS IN NEW YORK WERE BURGLARS AND STARTED THREE FIRES

New York, Dec. 10.—Disappointed because he had obtained meagre booty in a robbery, fourteen-year-old John Sampson set fire to a tenement in the lower East Side Saturday, according to police, and then confessed to the policeman who arrested him that he, with two school chums, had participated in forty burglaries and started three fires.

HIGHER EXPRESS RATES OPPOSED

Railway Commission Held Hearing in Regina

Regina, Dec. 10.—"People, of course, do not want an increase in express rates, but it is equally true they do not want taxation, and if we wanted to be popular, we would not grant any increase. It is not our function to deal with the question of this basis. We have to consider what is just and reasonable. In any event, the board will not grant an increase to the express companies unless it is shown to be absolutely necessary."

In these words, the basis on which the Board of Railway Commissioners propose to deal with the application of the railway express companies for an increase in the express tariffs was pronounced by Hon. P. B. Carvell, chairman of the commission, at a public hearing of the board in Regina Saturday.

Arguments for reduction of expenditures of the companies before they were justified in asking for an increase in rates were advanced by Charles A. Cooke, of the Regina Board of Trade, and several others, the suggestion being advanced that the expense of delivery and pick up services in the cities could be materially reduced and that consignment to railway agents at country points should be eliminated.

Representations were made to the commission that an increase in rates would result in the further curtailment of business handled by the companies and that agriculturists, retailers, creamery and dairy industries, etc., would suffer.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR ENJOYING MILD WEATHER

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 10.—The captain of the mail steamer Saguenay, which has just arrived from Labrador, reports that vegetation is as green there as during mid-Summer and that so far there has not been the slightest bit of frost, ice or snow. Here, in Newfoundland, the weather is warmer for the season than in the memory of old inhabitants. The beavers show no signs of undertaking their winter preparation for the cold months.

NOVEMBER FIRE LOSSES \$1,990,000

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended December 8, as estimated by The Monetary Times at \$464,490, as against \$2,827,500 for the same week last year.

Fire losses in November are estimated at \$1,990,000, as against \$2,816,100 in October and \$2,854,000 in November last year.

FRENCH VIEWS ON BRITISH ELECTION

Paris, Dec. 10.—"We are about to witness the reappearance of Lloyd George's formula, and probably of Lloyd George himself. England is to pass through a difficult period. It would be vain to hide from ourselves that the Entente may come out considerably damaged."

Thus The Petit Parisien and, indeed, the majority of the French press, views the defeat of the Conservative Party in the British general election. The Le Journal, as usual, "fertilizes" in The Echo de Paris, foresees another election out of which will emerge the central party dreamed of by Lloyd George, uniting the Conservative and moderate Liberals against Labor.

The Radical newspaper L'Ouvrier anticipates the return of Lloyd George, but does not see that such an event is to be so dreaded by France.

\$100,000 FIRE IN WINNIPEG

Building Damaged in Sunday Morning Blaze

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Damage estimated at between \$100,000 and \$125,000 was caused by a spectacular fire which gutted the premises occupied by the Brunswick-Balke-Collerend Company on Portage Avenue here early yesterday morning.

The fire is believed to have started at the elevator shaft on the main floor, spreading up the shaft to the other three floors.

URGENT RELEASE OF J. B. MACLACHLAN

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—At a meeting of the provincial board of the Independent Labor Party of Manitoba on Saturday it was decided to launch a series of protest meetings through the Dominion and by organized agitation attempt to obtain the release of James B. MacLachlan, former secretary of District No. 26, "United Mine Workers of America, and other strike leaders imprisoned as a result of their activities in connection with the Cape Breton miners' strike last Summer.

The meeting also adopted a resolution of protest against troops "interfering" in industrial disputes, declaring these men were sentenced to jail because they "manfully opposed the introduction of provocative forces against the iron workers of Nova Scotia at the time of their strike."

RESULTS OF POLLING IN CONSTITUENCIES IN BRITISH ELECTION

London, Dec. 10.—Polling in constituencies in England and Scotland in the general election of last week had the following results:

London Boroughs
Islington, North—Sir W. H. Cowan, Conservative, 10,802; Mr. Sergeant, Liberal, 10,219; C. Bennett, Labor, 7,555. Unchanged.

St. Pancras, North—Major G. Trexton, Conservative, 10,137; Lt. Col. R. C. Wilson, Conservative, 19,570; W. R. Runciman, Liberal, 17,435; A. Gordon, Labor, 9,549; Herbert Garden, Labor, 9,840. Unchanged.

English Boroughs
Birmingham, Edgbaston—Sir Francis Lowe, Conservative, 15,409; Bowditch, Liberal, 9,562. Unchanged.

Brighton (two members)—Major G. Trexton, Conservative, 10,137; Lt. Col. R. C. Wilson, Conservative, 19,570; W. R. Runciman, Liberal, 17,435; A. Gordon, Labor, 9,549; Herbert Garden, Labor, 9,840. Unchanged.

Carlisle—G. Meddleton, Labor, 9,120; Hon. William Watson, Conservative, 7,844; Hon. R. D. Denman, Liberal, 4,451. Unchanged.

Portsmouth, South—Major H. R. Cayer, Conservative, 16,625; Miss Jessie Stephen, Labor, 7,388; Rear Admiral Drury-Lowe, Labor, 5,689. Unchanged.

Wolverhampton, West—Sir Robert Bird, Conservative, 15,990; W. J. Brown, Labor, 15,794. Unchanged.

Wallasey—Sir B. Charnock, Conservative, 4,881; F. T. Thorpe, Liberal, 4,488. Unchanged.

Gloucester, Cirencester and Tewkesbury—Thomas Davies, Conservative, 15,409; Robins, Labor, 7,849. Unchanged.

Holland-with-Boston—W. S. Boyce, Labor, 16,698; A. W. Dean, Conservative, 16,331. Unchanged.

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SAYS COALITION WAS PLANNED

Yorkshire Post Attacks Press Trust Following British Election

States Lloyd George Would Have Adopted Tariff Scheme

London, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press cable)—The Yorkshire Post, which was the only paper of importance outside of London to support Premier Baldwin and with which paper Colonel Jackson, the chief Conservative organizer, was closely associated, rather hesitatingly suggests that the result of the general election would have been different if more time had been given to explain the Premier's tariff proposals.

The Post is more emphatic in ascribing the outcome of the election to the campaign of belittlement pursued by the press trust, which was determined to have a coalition of a particular type, it says.

Lloyd George, according to this theory, would have proved open to conviction on the tariff question and would have been joined by some of his previous supporters in offering the country a policy which it is shrewdly expected they had intended to offer if they had not found themselves forestalled by Premier Baldwin.

The Post remains steadily opposed to a coalition, which it says would only be denounced throughout the country as a coalition of capital against Labor and would give increased impetus to the forces of Socialism.

BARRISTERS IN COMMONS

London, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press cable)—The legal profession will return to Westminster even stronger than it was previously and the legal representatives in the new House of Commons belong to all parties. The Labor party possesses no fewer than three King's Counsel, Patrick Hastings, Alfred Hemmender and Albert H. G. Wells defeated.

London, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press cable)—Sir Sidney Russell Wells, Conservative, was re-elected to the House of Commons for London University. H. G. Wells, the noted author, was third in the three-cornered contest. Following was the vote: Sir Sidney Russell Wells, 4,077; Professor A. C. Pollard, Liberal, 2,595; and H. G. Wells, Labor, 1,420. These three candidates finished in the same order in the general election of 1922.

3,832; Professor Pollard, 2,180 and S. G. Wells, 1,427.

AUSTRALIAN VIEWS

Melbourne, Dec. 10 (Canadian Press cable via Reuters)—Great Britain, although sensitive about foreign trade, has slammed the door again in the faces of the Dominions. The Melbourne Age says in commenting on the British election.

The election has been a fine education in the British electoral law, which is still a generation behind modern intelligence. The Age continues.

"The Dominions naturally will look to their markets abroad." The Age declares, "and will be specially careful to regard the foreign trade in Great Britain does not lead to the preference already granted being used for the advantage of transhipped foreign produce."

The Melbourne Age greatly deplores the fact that the proposal of such drastic alterations in Great Britain's fiscal policy was determined at a moment of grave danger, and that the Baldwin Government risked the hasty decision of a precipitate election.

CANDIDATE NAMED

London, Dec. 10.—(Canadian Press Cable).—C. Mallinson has been adopted as the Liberal candidate in Derby or the Marquis of Salisbury, Derby or the Marquis of Salisbury, Foreign Secretary, with Sir Robert Horne, Sir Joynson-Hicks and the Earl of Balfour in other prominent offices. They also, the newspaper states, sounded the Liberal leaders as to whether such a combination might rely on the benevolent neutrality of the Liberal Party, and Lloyd George's newspaper, The Times, in return tentative assurances that they might.

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Against this report may be set the emphatic editorial assertions of The Daily News and The Westminster Gazette, supporters of Asquithian Liberalism, that on no account will the Liberal Party assent to any sort of Conservative-Labor coalition. The Daily Chronicle, Lloyd George's newspaper, does not discuss this suggestion.

The Conservative Morning Post scorns the idea of its party agreeing to co-operate with the Liberals, and says only the Lloyd Georgians desire such a coalition.

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Tunney and Greb Meeting To-night in New York Ring

New York, Dec. 10.—Gene Tunney, of Greenwich Village, and Harry Greb, of Pittsburgh, meet in a fifteen-round decision to-night at Madison Square Garden for the third time with the light-heavyweight boxing championship of the United States at stake.

"CARP" AFTER WINNER

London, Dec. 10.—Francis Descamps, on behalf of Georges Carpentier, has called off challenge to the winner of the Gene Tunney-Harry Greb fight to-night for the light-heavyweight championship of the world. Should the match be arranged, Carpentier would leave France immediately after New Year's Day and be ready to box in February.

VILLA FIGHTS TO-NIGHT

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—Pancho Villa, world's flyweight champion, will defend his title here to-night in the Gene Tunney-Harry Greb fight. Villa met Wallace in a no-decision bout about a year ago and received the popular verdict by a narrow margin.

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BRITISH GOVERNMENT PROBLEM

(Continued from page 1.)

Angry, Admiral, and Sir P. Lloyd Greene, President of the Board of Trade. The last three, says the newspaper, strongly urged the Premier to resign immediately and advise the King to invite Ramsay MacDonald to form a Cabinet, a course to which Mr. Baldwin was understood to have agreed. The other Ministers, leaning of this emphatically dissented. The Daily Mail asserts, and decided that if the Premier took such a course they would publicly dissociate themselves from it, their view being that the circumstances demanded continuance of the Government with a new Premier.

A NEW ALIGNMENT

This group, the newspaper adds, discussed a new Cabinet alignment and proposed Austen Chamberlain as Premier. Lord Birkenhead would be Lord Chancellor and the Earl of Derby or the Marquis of Salisbury, Foreign Secretary, with Sir Robert Horne, Sir Joynson-Hicks and the Earl of Balfour in other prominent offices. They also, the newspaper states, sounded the Liberal leaders as to whether such a combination might rely on the benevolent neutrality of the Liberal Party, and Lloyd George's newspaper, The Times, in return tentative assurances that they might.

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Parliament meets and there face inevitable defeat. Only a handful of dissatisfied ingenuities among the Conservatives wish Premier Baldwin's resignation. The Morning Post, adding that it does not believe the party will forsake him because of his defeat at the polls.

MACDONALD AS PREMIER

In several quarters there is a growing expectation that the difficulty will be decided by Mr. Baldwin advising the King to invite Mr. MacDonald to form a Cabinet. The prospect of this eventuality is discussed by many of the newspapers. It has often been said, apparently, with inspiration from the Labor leaders, that they would refuse office until they had a majority large enough to enable them to defy opposition. Today's reports suggest that this attitude has been abandoned. The Daily Express reports that the Labor executives will make important decisions at special meetings today and tomorrow.

HERALD APPROVES PLAN

In normal times, asserts the newspaper, the Labor Party's leader would rightly refuse on the ground that an office without power is useless. Against this, the newspaper argues, is the danger that the unemployed, for whom Labor has expressed great sympathy, might taunt the party leaders for shirking on the job if they declined office. The Daily Herald hints rather plainly that if an offer is made, Mr. MacDonald will accept.

WITH LIBERALS' AID

The belief that he will do so is also strongly held in other quarters and the Liberal newspapers, The Daily News, The Daily Chronicle, and The Westminster Gazette, all



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PROMPT ACTION FROM OTTAWA

With considerable satisfaction the people of British Columbia will learn of the Dominion Government's intention to appoint a Canadian customs officer for duty at New York. This important matter has been outstanding for many years and has formed the subject of numerous resolutions from most of the Boards of Trade of this Province. Many appeals had been sent to Ottawa without success. On that account it was with special vigor that Premier Oliver and the local Chamber of Commerce submitted the case to the present Minister of Customs on the occasion of his first visit to the Coast a short time ago. Mr. Bureau was placed in possession of all the facts that could be considered to emphasize the obvious economic anomaly of British Columbia paying duty on Eastern Canadian goods when these goods were shipped to New York and transhipped from that point to this Coast by way of the Panama Canal.

Under the new arrangement it will be possible to send shipments to New York in bond for transshipment to the British Columbian ports of the Pacific without duty obligation. This new prospect will be welcomed by Victoria not only because of the important commercial significance of the decision but also because of the persistent efforts that its Board of Trade and latterly its Chamber of Commerce have made to bring about the change which Dr. King announced in his telegram to Premier Oliver on Saturday.

The extremely satisfactory conclusion of a belated controversy also indicates the value of periodical and intimate consultation with Federal Ministers of the Crown. It enables them to understand more easily the wide and varied range of the country's interests as far as they apply to parts of the Dominion considerably removed from the seat of Government. In following this course the King Administration at Ottawa has demonstrated sound wisdom and its prompt action in the particular matter under review illustrates a keen regard for the general welfare of the country as opposed to an exaggerated consideration of special privilege.

AN ABLE JOURNALIST

Canadian journalism has sustained a notable loss in the death of Dr. S. D. Scott, the accomplished editor of The Vancouver Province. Dr. Scott's connection with the newspaper field began in his college days in New Brunswick more than forty-five years ago, and continued uninterruptedly until within a few minutes of the end of his earthly career. For many years after graduating from college he was prominent in editorial work in his native Province and in Nova Scotia, and in 1906 went to Ottawa where he became a leading member of the able corps of Parliamentary press representatives which labored at the Capital at that time. Thirteen years ago he came to British Columbia as editor of The News-Advertiser of Vancouver, subsequently taking a similar post on The Province which he filled with conspicuous success ever since.

Dr. Scott was one of the best informed journalists of his generation in this country. No writer that we know of had a wider knowledge of Canadian public affairs, of the history of Canadian development in all its phases since discovery days, of the men and women who influenced most strongly Canadian progress and character, and their achievements. He combined a retentive memory with a genius for research and an unusual capacity for the apt and instant application of his information. He was a very able writer, always lucid, succinct and illuminating and his ability to write interestingly on a wide variety of topics seemed to be proof against the withering influence of time and custom. His weekly commentaries in The Province under the nom de plume of "Lucian," the last of which appeared on Saturday, formed an exceedingly fine series and reflected in a striking way his versatility. Into his busy life he was also able to crowd other activities besides those associated with journalism. He was deeply interested in historical research and education and for ten years had been a member of the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia. In his death this Province has lost one of its most influential friends and Vancouver a universally esteemed citizen. The Times extends its sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

MAYOR HAYWARD DESERVED IT

Although Mayor Hayward is entitled to the tribute which Victoria has paid to him in permitting him to continue in office as this city's chief magistrate for another term without a contest, it can also be said that it is good business in the general sense to assure continuity of service in all cases where the choice has proven correct in the first place. His Worship may accept this compliment with the knowledge that he has discharged the extremely onerous duties of his important office with commendable skill and freedom from anything in the nature of the spectacularly experimental or the unpractically freakish. Mature consideration of the varied detail attaching to the office and an obvious regard for its dignity under all circumstances have marked Mayor Hayward's first term.

It may be as well to remind the general public, however, that the business of presiding over the conduct of the affairs of any municipality, and particularly those of the capital city of British Columbia, is no sinecure. An aldermanic board

of archangels could not assure absolute harmony. And neither Mayor Hayward nor any who will come after him will be able to perform miracles, nor even do themselves justice in public service, unless there shall be the fullest measure of support accorded them by those who do the appointing.

The administration of the business of the Corporation of the City of Victoria is the largest commercial undertaking in this part of Vancouver Island. Its shareholders—whether they pay a large or small amount for the benefits they derive—are numbered by the thousands and it should be their prime concern to study the manifold intricacies of their own business. Unless they do that much they neither equip themselves for service nor earn the right to criticize when things do not go as they would have them go. For civic responsibility does not begin in registration and end in the ballot box. Civic pride originates in that primary qualification; but the superstructure requires a good deal of building if it is to be something of which the citizens may be genuinely proud.

LENINE'S DISCIPLES

Neither in this country nor in Great Britain will much sympathy be wasted upon that small number of British harvesters who are now spending several hours a day in Toronto in the engaging occupation of airing grievances. In their immediate programme is included a plan to force the Dominion Government to realize the fallacy of a policy of bringing men into this country where employment is already insufficient to support even the native workers.

These men already have been correctly described by one of the ninety-nine per cent. who enjoyed their initial experience of life in Canada and are remaining to make good. And if any further insight into the character of the malcontents were required it could be found in the speech of one of them at Toronto's Labor Temple last night. He revealed himself as a Socialist and called upon the wage earners to strive for the cooperative commonwealth.

It was only to be supposed that a few of Lenin's disciples would join the harvesting battalions under suitable disguise. But they should not be taken seriously. They are merely looking for a living without work or responsibility. Their method of advertisement may be loud; but the silence which the twelve thousand odd-out of the thirteen thousand who came out—is maintaining can be taken at full value. They are making themselves into good Canadians.

Note and Comment

Mr. Stanley Baldwin must have had a busy week-end.

It is our guess that Mr. Lloyd George has done a lot of fast thinking since last Thursday night.

Meanwhile the people of Great Britain, not to mention the newspapers, have been doing more political speculating during the last week-end than they have done for many a long day.

Which leads us to suggest that if Mr. Baldwin should hesitate to advise the King to call upon Mr. Ramsay MacDonald there will be the dickens to pay in certain quarters. Labor will be wanting to know how it is that the Prime Minister refuses to acknowledge defeat upon the issue of his campaign.

Out of which grows the natural deduction that if Mr. MacDonald should be called upon to form a Government it ought really to be incumbent upon him to let the country know what he proposes to do about the capital levy. And if he should introduce that in the House he might just as well get ready to call himself the ex-Premier of Great Britain.

Some Thoughts for To-day

The oracles are dumb.
No voice or hideous hum
Runs thro' the arch'd roof in words deceiving
Milton.

Every school boy and school girl who has Arrived at the age of reflection ought to know something about the history of The art of printing.
Horace Mann.

Roads are wet where'er one wendeth,
And with rain the thistle bendeth,
And the brook cries like a child;
Not a rainbow shines to cheer us;
Ah! the sun comes never near us,
And the heavens look dark and wild.
Mary Howitt.

Our Contemporaries

GERMANY BREAKING UP
Brooklyn Eagle:—It is difficult to explain the French policy in furthering an abortive Rhineland republic except on the ground that anything which makes trouble for Germany is good for France. Disorganization is proceeding rapidly and chaos may soon be at hand. Reparations will be sacrificed to "security." Yet even France may not find herself immune from disturbance when a neighbor people of 60,000,000 is writhing in the turmoil of despair.

A "HOLY OF HOLIES"
New York Sun:—If you can imagine an American political leader stumping the country in an effort to persuade it to wipe out all tariff duties and loose the hitherto dreaded flood of "cheap foreign goods" upon defenceless infant industries and grown-up ones alike, you will appreciate the sensational qualities of Prime Minister Baldwin's campaign in Great Britain at this moment. For if in this country some of us have been taught to look upon the protective tariff with something like reverence the principle of free trade is to the Englishman almost a political holy of holies.

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the writer desires it. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for material submitted to the Editor.

WANTS NO GOLF LINKS

To the Editor:—Re extraordinary powers sought by council in private bill now in Legislature for taking out of current revenue large sums for all sorts of conditions and things, and particularly golf links, to be spent in another municipality without requiring the sanction of the ratepayers. This is a very serious matter for the latter. It is on a par with the power of initiative to make local improvements given to the Council. It has brought us to the edge of bankruptcy—power since taken away by the Legislature who have it.

The mere fact that the personnel of a Council is transitory, evanescent and lacking in continuity, should be sufficient cause for building up safeguards for property owners. Instead of continually breaking them down. The danger of aggrandizing this power by Council is the fact that the property owners' control of the appropriation and expenditure of large sums is lost, and distributed to the license and holder vote, who usually do not care what happens to the property owner, who pays the bills. They will always vote for the man who advocates large expenditure, regardless of the ultimate result, just as they did for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

Now, as it will probably not be known whether the Government will give this power or not, before the municipal election, those ratepayers who are opposed to this extraordinary power being given or exercised, should vote against making Council candidates who are in favor of it. Property owners have pronounced themselves against municipal-owned golf links, once on a by-law when a three-fifth vote was required. It was defeated. Again, on a by-law, it was defeated. When the Legislature was called into session to pass, with a bare majority, when it was again turned down by 1202 votes against, with 1,045 for. And now it is proposed to override the will of the ratepayers by getting this power, as one might say, behind their backs, for real estate that is going on.

Just imagine the attitude of the Council when asked at the Private Bills Committee, how it was that in the last annual report there was a \$4,000 on account of golf links. They would be making a golf links there. The explanation, as near as I remember, was that there was a little joke in that, as it was intended for making a golf links there. I think the statement could be classed as putting one over the ratepayer, and very undesirable.

Therefore, as it stands, the last recourse the ratepayers have, is to turn down those candidates who advocate and would use it. If the Government give the power it will take a majority of the Council to use it. The less a municipal council have to do with anything the better for the ratepayers. Look around you. Did somebody say "bridge"? And to-day is Friday!
JOHN DEAN.
P.O. Box 343, Victoria, B.C., December 7, 1923.

TIMBER SPECULATION

To the Editor:—Lo, the poor timber speculator! In The Times of November 27 Mr. J. M. Kelle, opposing the proposed embargo on the export of unmanufactured timber, quotes figures to show the great States on the south. He figures that the amount of timber still growing in the United States in twenty-five years from now. This seems quite likely that the American companies who own a good deal more than half the timber licenses in British Columbia, may be inclined to do the cutting on this side of the boundary first. It is quite understandable that for many reasons it would be in their interest to do so. Now, to the average white man in this Province it doesn't look like a matter of great concern whether the sawing is done here or elsewhere, as it is mostly Asiatics that get the benefit of it, anyway. The question for the average citizen is, What is there in this for me? Are my trustees and servants, the Government, getting a fair price for this natural asset, this raw material which belongs as much to one citizen as another, in which all have equal rights? We are said to have the finest stand of timber in the world, but it is disappearing fast enough. There was marketed last year of timber products, \$64,000,000 in round numbers, and the year before almost \$30,000,000. These are unthinkable sums of money, but the figures are official. It is only claimed that \$20,000,000 of it went to wages. Where does all the rest go? Yet if we are to believe Mr. J. M. Kelle and people of his ilk, "the hat would need to be passed around for the time present Mr. Dupont was Miss Wilmet, of Fredericton, N.B., granddaughter of Lieut. Governor R. D. Wilmet. There is one son, aged 15. A brother resides here, and he has also a sister in Toronto. The funeral arrangements, by request of the family, will be private, and a request is made that no flowers be sent.

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ALEXANDER HAMMOND.
Pender Island, B.C.

DEATH CALLS

MAJOR DUPONT
Pioneer Artillery Officer Dies at Ripe Age; Well-Known Horseman

Victoria has lost a well-known pioneer in the passing on Saturday evening of Major Charles Dupont, at the age of eighty-six.

Some years ago he left Victoria with the intention of settling in the old Country, at a time when he disposed of his residence and grounds at Stadacona Park to the city, but later he returned and spent the last few years of his life at Mount Eden, Rock Street, where he passed away.

Born September 26, 1847, at Quebec, hence the name of his former residence, Major Dupont came west in the early days after Confederation for the purpose of studying the natural resources of the Dominion Government and was attached to a commission for the Dominion Government and was attached to the military work at once settled in Victoria. For a number of years he was collector of inland revenue.

As a horseman he was widely known in the "seventies" and "eighties" and was one of the best riders in the old Hunt Club, which flourished in Victoria more than thirty years ago.

A company in which he took a great interest was the National Tramway Co., which was one of the first electric tramways, and which afterwards became the Victoria and the business of the C.P. Electric Railway, by request of the family, will be private, and a request is made that no flowers be sent.

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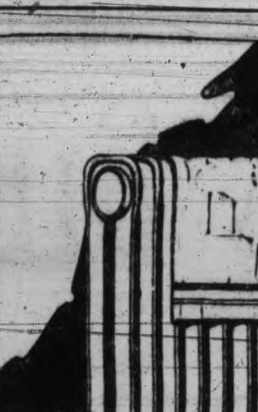
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"THERE AIN'T NO"

REAL SANTA CLAUS

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Subscription List Thrown Open For Rotary Christmas Fund

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PROOF

"Sure there's a Santa Claus," says one small lad in a tone of finality, "cause I shook hands with him with this very hand, an' I talked to him, an' he talked to me at the Hudson's Bay. An' I met him at Spencer's."

"Baw him come in in his boot an' spoke to him myself," chirps in another. Another had met him at Weiler's and been in his house. The young sceptic, weakened but defiant, shot a last argument. "Aw, he can be in three places," well, he goes from one place to another.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS

Over four hundred dollars has been already subscribed and the subscription lists are still open in the offices of the newspapers and at the office of Captain Goodlake, secretary of the club, Broad Street. The Rotary club hope to pass the \$10,000 mark.

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Spencer's Own Blood Rings, per lb.....20¢

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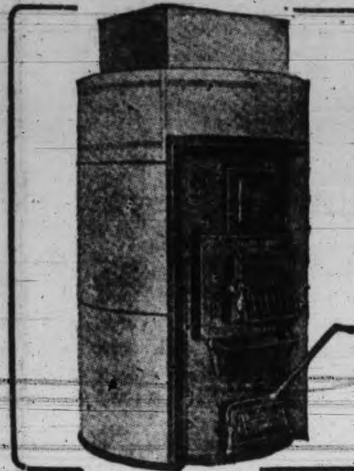
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OFFICERS ELECTED AT W.B.A. MEETING

At the regular meeting of Queen Alexandra Review, No. 11, W.B.A., on Thursday evening, the principal business was the election of officers. The committee, Mrs. Moor, presided, and there were visitors present from the other Victoria Reviews, among them being Mrs. Morley, commander of Victoria Review, No. 1. The following officers were elected: Commander, Mrs. Moor; lieutenant, Mrs. Loring; past commander, Mrs. Ricketts; collector, Mrs. Ritchie; finance keeper, Mrs. Ainsworth; lady-at-arms, Mrs. Christian; sergeant, Mrs. Hepburn; sentinel, Mrs. Hailan; picket, Mrs. Picher; captain of the guard, Mrs. Keatings; color bearer, No. 2, Mrs. Gardner; color bearer, No. 1, Mrs. Froude; musician, Mrs. Langley. Mrs. Gairbairn, past commander, ably installed the newly elected officers. It was decided to hold a children's party or fancy dress dance, December 30, the regular meeting to follow. Tickets were sold at the bazaar last Saturday for a hall, 610 George Road.

LIGHTHOUSE HAMPERS SENT LAST WEEK

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Guild for Sailors was held on Thursday at the Connaught Seamen's Institute, with Mrs. Thomson presiding. Votes of thanks were passed to the many generous donors to the Lighthouse hampers. Over thirty boxes filled with books and magazines, tobacco, woolen goods, candles and little gifts were packed and dispatched during the week. The committee is indebted to Messrs. David Spencer for boxes and the Booklovers and public libraries for generous gifts, as well as to many private donors. Mrs. Logan kindly gave the use of her car, which greatly helped in the work, and Mrs. Morales made some lovely artificial flowers to go in the hampers for Christmas decorations.

The report of the month's work showed that nearly 300 sailors were the Sailors' Club and forty-three the Institute.

The Esquimalt Child Hygiene Council will hold a card party this evening at 8 o'clock in St. Paul's Parish Room, when a good attendance is hoped for. Good prizes will be given, and the proceeds of the entertainment will go towards providing a Christmas treat for the children and their mothers.

Progressive Conservative — The weekly military 500 and dance will take place at the Caledonia Hall on Wednesday, Dec. 12. There will be fourteen scrip prizes, also a beautiful jeweled cross and other free tombs suitable for Christmas gifts. Dancing will take place before and after the card games. Findler's orchestra will supply the music.

St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday evening at the K. of P. Hall, to be followed by a social evening. Members are requested to bring refreshments.

The general monthly meeting of the Esquimalt Women's Institute will take place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30, when the special business will be the election of officers for 1924.

IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

EIGHT WOMEN WERE ELECTED

Five More in New British Commons Than in Last

London, Dec. 10.—Eight women will sit in the House of Commons of Great Britain, as compared with three who held seats at the time the last Parliament was dissolved. The three were Lady Astor, for the Sutton division of Plymouth; Mrs. Margaret Wintringham, Liberal, for the Louth division of Lincolnshire, and Mrs. Margaret Phillips, for the Berwick-on-Tweed division of Northumberland. All of them were re-elected and they will be joined in the new Parliament by the Duchess of Athol, Conservative; Lady Terrington, Liberal; and Miss Susan Lawrence, Miss Margaret Bondfield and Miss Dorothy Jewson, Labor.

Fairy Procession Led to Weiler's Toy Town

The programme of pre-Christmas delights provided for the children by the enterprising merchants of the city, culminated on Saturday in a fairy procession of fairy-potentials, when the Fairy Princess and Prince Charming, heralded by pipers, wended their way through the principal streets in a gay balloon-decked motor car to their fairy castle at Weiler's.

An entranced crowd of children followed the royal carriage and were the happy recipients of balloons distributed by the fairy prince and princess, and showered later from the battlements of their castle.

Little Gloria Wilson in white with silver trim made a winsome princess, and Master Jamie Currie was a truly regal Prince Charming in crimson velvet and a plumed hat. A pretty dance by the princess greatly charmed her youthful subjects.

The affair proved so popular that Weiler's have arranged to hold a similar event next Saturday.

Sale of Work — Britannia Lodge No. 216, L.O.B.A., annual sale of work was held last week in the Orange Hall, Copeland Street, with good results. Mayor Hayward performed the opening ceremony, and Mrs. Hayward, who accompanied him, was the recipient of a lovely bouquet presented by Baby Margaret Hood. Sister Bradley was convener of the reception committee; Mrs. McKenzie, home cooking stall; Mrs. Keating and Miss Mrs. fancy work; Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Shand, apron stall; Mrs. Cave and Mrs. Morrison, candy stall; Miss Crooks and Miss Bradley, handkerchief stall, and Mrs. Gilson, spinning Jenny. Mrs. Mainwaring and Mrs. Forsythe directed the afternoon tea arrangements. The handsome Christmas cake was won by Mrs. Munkley, and the hunchon set will be drawn for at a later date. Sister Hunter and Gove were conveners of the affair, and the committee extends its thanks to all who took part in making the sale such a success.

The president of the Next-of-Kin Association has called a meeting for Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, in the office of Mrs. Wicks, P. R. Brown Block. Important business will be discussed, and a good attendance is hoped for.

The Victoria Amateur Swimming Club will hold their monthly card party on Wednesday, December 12, at 8.15 at the home of Mrs. Melville, 123 Clarence Street. There will be military 500, and the ladies will serve refreshments. A good attendance is confidently anticipated.



Mr. G. S. Ford, of this city, has been visiting Nelson.

Mr. Max Leiser, who is spending a holiday in California, is at present a guest in San Francisco.

Mrs. M. C. Cresswell, of Deep Cove, spent the week-end in town with her son, Mr. Reginald Cresswell at the Balmoral Hotel.

Mr. Kenneth Macdonald, of Vancouver, spent the week-end in Victoria as the guests of his parents, the Chief Justice and Mrs. Macdonald, St. Charles Street.

On Saturday afternoon Miss Ellen Lawrence entertained a number of her associate nurses of St. Joseph's Hospital at tea at her home on Island Road.

Mrs. F. W. Vincent, of Erie Street, returned on Saturday from a week's visit in Vancouver as the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Willis.

Mr. Dale L. Pitt, mining engineer, who is managing the Premier mine, has returned North with Mrs. Pitt, after a brief visit here and in Vancouver.

Capt. C. A. Mackenzie, who has extensive mining interests at Stewart, B.C., accompanied by Mrs. Mackenzie, is spending a short time in Victoria as a guest at the Empress prior to leaving for England.

Mrs. A. E. Starr and Miss Helen Starr have returned to their residence, 145 Government Street, after a three-months' visit to Eastern points.

On the Niagara on Saturday went out Mr. Max Hunt, of Courtenay, on a visit to Auckland, New Zealand. He expects to be away three months. He received from the Courtenay Garage employees a presentation before leaving.

The ladies of St. Martin's Guild wish to thank all those who have helped contributed so substantially to the success of their sale of work. The Christmas cake given by Mrs. J. Barrett was won by Mesdames Cooper and Higgins and Mr. Bridger.

The Women's Educational Club of Columbia College will celebrate its second anniversary by holding a birthday tea on Thursday, December 13, at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. W. Sippell, 916 Johnson Street. An excellent musical programme is being prepared, and refreshments will be served. All friends interested are cordially invited to attend.

The sum of \$152.70 was raised at the Quadra Street School bazaar held last week to raise funds to pay off the debt on the school piano. The school expresses grateful thanks to all who attended and helped in the affair, not forgetting the George Jay School orchestra, which provided such a fine programme of music.

Mrs. W. J. Pender, 309 Bellevue Street, will be at home to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock to members and friends of the Metropolitan Women's Missionary Auxiliary. A good programme will be provided. The Christmas offering will be received. Strangers in the church who are interested in the work will be cordially welcomed.

BIG GYROS BALL TO-MORROW NIGHT

Club to Hold First Annual Ball at Alexandra House

Victoria Gyros will enter the ranks of hosts at their first annual ball to-morrow evening in the Alexandra ballroom, when they expect to eclipse all records formerly attained by their organization as promoters of successful social events.

The ballroom will be gaily decorated in the club colors, and a six-piece orchestra, under the direction of Gyro Chris. Wade, Gyro Club conductor, have arranged an excellent programme of up-to-date dance music. Dancing will continue from 9 till 11 o'clock, and a delicious supper will be served during the evening in the restaurant.

The committee under Gyro Trevitt has spared no pains to secure an unequalled success, and all who attend to-morrow evening are assured of a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Sub-committees for the ball are as follows: Reception, Gyros Harold Brown, Jack Clay, Bill Balcom and Missou Smith; decorations, Gyros Art Kerr, Charles Walker and Earl Duke; advertising, Gyros Archie Willis, Ross Crane and Harold McDonald; music, Gyro Chris Wade, and general arrangements, Gyro Bill Cameron, Harold Elworthy, Tommy Rehl, Lorne Fulton, Harold Beckwith and Gordon Camper.

Tickets are selling rapidly and reservations should be made at once with Gyro members at Strathis, T. N. Hibben & Son, Douglas Street, or at R. H. Brown's.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL BAZAAR TO-MORROW

To-morrow afternoon in the Reformed Episcopal Church will be held the annual Christmas bazaar, when a host of charming novelties suitable for Christmas gifts will be displayed at the various booths. Mayor Hayward will open the affair at 2.30. Afternoon tea will be served, and refreshments during the evening, when an additional attraction will be the musical entertainment arranged by Miss Newbury, to take place at 8 o'clock.

LECTURE TO-MORROW

Tuesday night Dr. Alexander closes his engagements at the Chamber of Commerce with his lecture on how to read character by handshake, walk, eyes, nose and chin, and at the close will give an exhibition of character-reading while blindfolded.

CARD PARTY

The Gordon Head Women's Institute held a very successful 500 party in the Gordon Head Hall on Friday evening. There was a good attendance and a very keen contest. The prizes were won by the following: Ladies, first, Mrs. G. F. Watson; consolation, Miss Mollie Tucker; concealed number, merited by seven ladies, drawn by Mrs. Fielding. Gentlemen, first, Mr. Woolridge, Sr.; consolation, Mr. Holyoake; concealed number, merited by three, drawn by Mr. McCormick. Ten bids were made by J. McCormick and Mr. Woolridge, Sr. W. Tucker and Mrs. Watson, and Mr. Woolridge, Jr., and Miss Dunnet, the latter winning the cut.

After refreshments were served the thanks of the Institute were extended to Mr. Quayle, who gave great help as M.C., and also to Mrs. McCormick, the able convener.

The Institute will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday next, when the election of officers will take place, and the report of the district conference will be given.

The Esquimalt Child Hygiene Council is holding a whist drive this evening at 8 o'clock in the parish room, St. Paul's garrison church. The proceeds will augment the Christmas party fund. Two tombs prizes are offered in addition to the prizes to be given to the winning players. Refreshments will be served.

The regular meeting of the Western Star Lodge, A.O.U.W., and election of officers will take place on Monday next in Semple's Hall at 8 p.m., and all members are requested to attend and help them in this important work. Visiting members are welcome.

The Army and Navy Veterans' Association will hold a Christmas tree for the children of members of the association on December 24, from 4 to 6 o'clock at the Hamley Building. Names of children eligible for the treat should be sent in at once to the secretary.



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TOURNAMENT AND DANCE

The military five hundred tournament given by the members of the McBride Social Club last week proved to be the most successful held this season.

The committee have arranged for a whist tournament, tombs and dance in the Harmony Hall on Tuesday evening.

The ladies of the Reformed Episcopal Church will hold their Christmas sale of work in the schoolroom, Humboldt Street, Tuesday. His Worship the Mayor will open the sale at 2.30 o'clock. An immense variety of plain and fancy work will be for disposal at moderate prices, also numerous attractions for the children—home cooking, candy and afternoon tea. The sale will be followed by a social evening for which a splendid programme has been prepared.

MARION HAMLEY TO LECTURE HERE

Miss Marion Hamley, of New York School of Expression, will give in the Victoria Club Hall, on Thursday evening, a lecture on public speaking. She will illustrate her lecture with dramatic and humorous recitations, with musical selections interspersed. The scientific basis of the art of public speaking will be shown and a course of study outlined necessary to equip one for this work. There will be no admission fee and the public are cordially invited.

The Board of the Saanich Memorial Health Centre will meet on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, at the Municipal Hall, Royal Oak.

EVERY DAY SERVE SOME WAY



Keeps the Family Fit

A shower will be held in the Municipal Chapter, I.C.D.E., on December 13, at their new room, Hamley Building, corner Government and Broughton Streets, when donations for the soldiers' Christmas hampers will be gratefully welcomed. Some one will be in attendance all day to receive contributions, and a generous response to this appeal is confidently anticipated.



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The December Birthday

"Well, you're plain lucky, that's all I can say," ejaculated the drier guest who, with his young wife, had been invited to celebrate the host's birthday. "Generally kids who are born in December have a rather meagre time of it, though to get a youngster a lot of birthday presents only a few days before you have to get him a lot of Christmas presents is hard times for the parents. I do think."

The host was sitting at the candle lighted dinner table, with a pile of packages on the cloth before him, and he grinned from ear to ear.

"Exactly what sufferer from when I was a small boy, Bill," he answered. "My birthday came so near Christmas that nobody ever gave it more than a passing thought, except Mother, of course, and when she was apt to write 'Merry Christmas' on the package, instead of 'Happy Birthday.' Everybody's thoughts are all bound up to Christmas during the month, and the poor kid who was born in the midst of holiday plans generally gets lost in the shuffle. My brothers and sis-

ters, whose birthdays came in June, August, March and April, always had a party and many gifts, with a lot of fuss made over them, and I went almost unnoticed on my birthday. "And so when he married me," broke in his young wife, "I determined that I was going to make up to him for all those disappointing birthdays. Every year now we are going to have a birthday dinner, with packages, and greeting cards, and candles, and cake—and a fuss made! Of course it doesn't mean as much to him now as it would then, but we jump at any excuse for a party, you know. And I'm thinking of starting a crusade for the special celebration of December youngsters' birthdays."

HOCKEY. FOOTBALL. TENNIS. SHORTING NEWS. BASKETBALL. RUGBY.

Three Big Hockey Games On To-night

Victoria Will Open Prairie Tour Against Eskimos In Edmonton, While Seattle Will Meet Capitals on Wednesday. Regina Ice; Calgary Tigers Will Make Effort to Win Third Game From Coast Teams When They Tackle Maroons

Hockey fans all over the West will have to keep their eyes open for the next few weeks if they want to be well informed on the progress of the teams in the Pacific Coast and Western Canada leagues. To-night three games will be played in which all coast teams will be participating, while on Wednesday there will be two and on Friday three. Next week three games are scheduled for Monday, two for Wednesday and three for Friday.

With such a flock of games ahead, it is only to be expected that the clubs in both the coast and prairie leagues will be in for surprises, and there should be many changes in the standings of the two leagues. By the time the Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle clubs get back to the coast they may be separated by wide margins.

The games on the schedule to-night are as follows:

Victoria plays Edmonton in Edmonton.
Calgary plays Vancouver in Vancouver.
Seattle plays Regina in Regina.

COUGARS REACH EDMONTON
The Cougars arrived in Edmonton this morning for their game with the Eskimos to-night. The Eskimos went through a hard battle at Saskatoon on Saturday and only managed to gain a draw with the Crescents. The Cougars are expected to make a good showing against Edmonton, which has been forced to do a lot of traveling. The Eskimos, after a two-game series in Ottawa, played in Regina and then in the Capitals. Continuing their way home, the Eskimos drew in Saskatoon and to-night, will open before their own fans.

The outcome of to-night's game is awaited with interest by the local fans. They are hoping that the Cougars will get off on their right foot as it will mean a great deal to the club. They felt keenly their defeat at the hands of Calgary on Friday night and are anxious to get square at some other club.

CALGARY AFTER MAROONS
Calgary will make an attempt to make it three straight wins when they meet the Maroons in Vancouver. They may be able to make the grade but they will have a large job on their hands.

The Tigers are crestfallen over the death of their clubmate, Foley Martin, who passed away in a Seattle hospital. They are hoping that they will be able to make the grade but they will have a large job on their hands.

It would be a big feather in the cap of the Tigers if they succeed in winning three games, something never before accomplished in the inter-league series.

SEATTLE PLAYS REGINA

The third big game on to-night's programme is between the Regina and Seattle teams. The Mets left the coast after their game with Calgary on Wednesday night and have had a workout since reaching the prairie capital.

Interest is very keen over the outcome of these three games. The fans all over the West are in for the biggest programme of the season, with the Mets in Vancouver to-night, being billed for prairie towns, but they will be able to get a good line through the papers. The Times is arranging to give the fans good accounts of all the games.

Baseball Moguls Meeting and Talk of Big Exchanges

Chicago, Dec. 10.—The task of shaping of baseball clubs for their 1924 season was undertaken today by more than 1,200 leaders of sport, gathered here for the biggest meeting in the game's history.

Arrangements for schedules, settlement of disputes, exchange of players and numerous minor matters, confront the major and minor-league officials during their six days of meetings and bargaining.

Speculation among the officials pointed to possible deals involving Rogers Hornsby, second baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals, Eddie Collins, captain of the Chicago White Sox; Urban Shocker, pitcher of the St. Louis Browns, and the other stars.

There was talk that Collins might go to Washington as manager, while a trade is spoken of that would bring Hornsby to the Chicago Nationals.

President Veeck is understood to have offered to give Hornsby for the Chicago Americans, intends to make two or three deals in an attempt to strengthen the club.

Among the cases to be considered by the Board of Arbitration is the McCarthy-Williams controversy over the presidency of the Pacific Coast League.

HOCKEY PLAYER DIES
Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 10.—A. H. Lapee, 26, player with the Lindsay intermediate hockey team and senior baseball team and prominent athlete of this city, died here Friday.

Marathon runner fed soup from bicycle. He took it on the run, as you might say.

Casey Stengel ought to be a big star in Boston. . . Casey was always a big star in the minors.

Diamond Jubilee Of Football Is Well Celebrated

Over 200 Players and Supporters of Soccer Gather at Function Saturday

An event of more than ordinary importance in the sporting world took place on Saturday night when the Lower Island Football Association celebrated the Diamond Jubilee of association football in a fitting manner at the Victoria of France clubrooms.

About 200 football enthusiasts were present. J. G. Brown, whose name is known and honored all over the Province as an old time and later as a referee and all the time a worker in the interest of the game, acted as chairman.

An excellent programme of songs was rendered by the following well-known localists: E. B. Lang, G. H. Gray, J. R. Macdonald, and Macdonald.

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Ice Carnival Promises to Be A Big Success

Entries Coming in Fast For Affair at Arena on Wednesday Evening

With entries coming in fast, everything points to success when the Victoria Amateur Hockey League stage its carnival at the local ice arena on Wednesday evening.

The affair is doing everything possible towards making the carnival one of the outstanding events of the season. All skaters are asked by the committee to enter any of the events.

At present one tug-of-war team, the "Pink Rats," has entered. It is expected that the navy will enter an aggregation of huskies while the firemen will be called upon to enter their services.

The "Pink Rats" have also entered their crack baseball team and are open to take on all comers. A number of the local basketball teams will be approached and it is expected that a number of teams will be lined up.

In the one-mile open for ladies, Miss Fiedler is the lone entry. In the men's open the following have entered: W. Nelson, W. Symons, W. G. "Cotton" and so forth.

A number of the amateur hockey players will be entering in this event and will make the remainder of the speed artists step lively in the girls under fifteen, Vye Fiedler is the sole entrant while in the boys under fifteen, T. Allen and E. Eves are the only ones to have entered.

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Later he served with Hartford and New Haven. From Hartford he went to the Washington club of the then twelve-team National League and when that organization broke up he went to Brooklyn. There he gained pitching fame. Donovan was one of the National League stars to jump to the American League when it was formed, playing with Detroit from 1901 to 1913. He had figured in Hugh Jennings' capture of three pennants.

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Elmer Sub. Brandon

Ice Carnival Promises to Be A Big Success

Entries Coming in Fast For Affair at Arena on Wednesday Evening

With entries coming in fast, everything points to success when the Victoria Amateur Hockey League stage its carnival at the local ice arena on Wednesday evening.

The affair is doing everything possible towards making the carnival one of the outstanding events of the season. All skaters are asked by the committee to enter any of the events.

At present one tug-of-war team, the "Pink Rats," has entered. It is expected that the navy will enter an aggregation of huskies while the firemen will be called upon to enter their services.

The "Pink Rats" have also entered their crack baseball team and are open to take on all comers. A number of the local basketball teams will be approached and it is expected that a number of teams will be lined up.

In the one-mile open for ladies, Miss Fiedler is the lone entry. In the men's open the following have entered: W. Nelson, W. Symons, W. G. "Cotton" and so forth.

A number of the amateur hockey players will be entering in this event and will make the remainder of the speed artists step lively in the girls under fifteen, Vye Fiedler is the sole entrant while in the boys under fifteen, T. Allen and E. Eves are the only ones to have entered.

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Saints Win Two Games and Lose One on Saturday

St. Andrew's S.S. Hoop Teams Defeat Christ Church and St. John's

Axioms, Last Years Girl Champions, Spoil Saints' Attempt to Win Three

Intermediate Girls—Axioms 11, St. Andrew's 7.
Senior Girls—St. Andrew's 16, St. John's 4.
Intermediate Boys—St. Andrew's 22, Christ Church 15.

The only surprise in Saturday night's Sunday School League basketball games was the fine showing made by the St. Andrew's Intermediate Girls against the Axioms, last year's British Columbia champions, playing with only four of their regular team and one spare, the St. Andrew's young girls made their best showing of the season.

Judging by past form of both teams the Axioms were expected to win by about 24 to 2, but they were plainly off color as their old speed and team work seemed lacking, particularly in the first period. On the other hand St. Andrew's girls were in great form.

Helen Miller's two baskets in the second period being remarkably fine shots, while Helen Crutchank at guard kept the Axioms forwardly from getting many chances to shoot.

Peggy Watson, of the Axioms, showed speed, scoring seven points for the winners.

The teams were:
St. Andrew's—Rowena Penny, Helen Miller 4, Eleanor MacLeod 1, Helen Crutchank.
Axioms—Katherine Forbes 2, Nettie Brown 2, Peggy Watson 7, Jennie Wilson and Margie Wilson.

SAINTS SENIORS WIN
St. Andrew's Senior Girls won a fast game from St. John's 16 to 7. The play throughout the game was very close, but better shooting ability won the game for the "blue and whites." The St. John's girls played hard, passing and checking well, but when they reached close quarters were unable to put the ball into the basket. Winnie Shaw being the only player who scored for St. Andrew's.

The teams were:
St. Andrew's—Winnie Shaw 4, Queenie Greaves, Dorothy Ford, Ella Chafe and Mabel Douglas.
St. John's—Winnie Shaw 4, Queenie Greaves, Dorothy Ford, Ella Chafe and Mabel Douglas.

INTERMEDIATES FAST
St. Andrew's Comets were successful in their game with the Christ Church boys, winning 16 to 10. The teams were:
St. Andrew's—Bob Addie 8, Bob Smith, Chuck Smith 7, Thorburn 4, Andy Easton 2, Gill Thoburn 4.
Christ Church—Young 2, Shopland 5, Sims 3, Christie 2, McAlister.

WANDERERS' BACK FAST
The Oak Bay Wanderers, with a new line up for their first intermediate game, defeated the Navy by a narrow margin, the score standing 11-9 at the termination of the game.

The Navy staged a surprise in coming as close to winning as they did. With a little more training they would have been serious contenders for the city championship. Their three-quarter line worked well on Saturday, and every man played with determination and back fast.

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The Wanderers were too fast in their back division for their opponents, and the Navy's defense was in the loose, were individually superior to the Navy's men. In weight the Navy had the advantage, Mike Green and Jack Allen, two stalwart men of the scrum, were outstanding in the fore. Money, too, was always to the fore. Goodacre's punting and long runs were very effective.

Cabeldu scored for the Wanderers early in the game, but the Navy retaliated with a dribbling rush, and Husband got over. Willis scored for the Wanderers after a long end run, taking the pass from Cabeldu which put him over the Navy's line.

With the beginning of the second half the Navy rushed to get even. Ewell and Willis scored for the Wanderers, and just avoided Oland, who tried in vain to stop his run. Green converted the try. The Navy brought up its score to nine points by gaining a free kick in front of the Wanderers' goal, which resulted in a score. Both teams were fighting hard when the game ended.

The teams for the afternoon were as follows:
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RUGBY AT WILLOWS
On Saturday afternoon the rugby team of the Boys' Central and Margaret Jenkins Schools defeated the Victoria Golf Club, winning 16 to 6. The teams were:
Boys' Central—Ward, Taylor, Humphries, Pasmore, Kirk, Pendray, Crump, Doulay, Weir, Wingert, Biss and Armstrongs.
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THORNTON FELL WINS
N. Thornton Fell defeated B. Wilson 6 and 5 in the final for the club championship of the Victoria Golf Club. Winning 16 to 6. The teams were:
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WESTS' COLORS STILL FLY AT THE MASTHEAD
practically strangers played with perfect understanding, and were a continual source of trouble to Popham and Baker. The first corner was a brilliant robbery by an opponent, but the corner kick was safely cleared. Youson, in his anxiety to open the corner, was overconfident with only Hetherington in front of him. The ball traveled from end to end and during an attack on the Stars' goal, Mulart, put a nice shot, but it was little more than a little "feeling" asserted itself among the players, but so firmly was it handled that there was little cause for comment in this respect.

STARS EXERT PRESSURE
Playing superb football, in spite of the treacherous going, the Stars' continually bombarded the Wests' goal and Davis missed several glancing shots. The Wests' defense was during the first half the Stars' tried to run the whole length of the field, only to be promptly stopped by Sherratt. To make matters worse, the Wests were penned in their own half during which time the Stars' forced six unproductive corners. No sooner had the first corner been cleared than he was pounced upon by a "Star," and the whole combination at times was made to look like mere novices.

One outstanding feature, however, was the display of the veteran, Whyte, who, after fifteen years is still a force in the game. He has been with the Stars' for the first half in particular, he proved to football supporters that in crucial moments he can prove the greatest of all. The Wests' defense was during the first half the Stars' tried to run the whole length of the field, only to be promptly stopped by Sherratt. To make matters worse, the Wests were penned in their own half during which time the Stars' forced six unproductive corners. No sooner had the first corner been cleared than he was pounced upon by a "Star," and the whole combination at times was made to look like mere novices.

GOOD OLD BOB
Fortuna—the Goddess of Luck—surely watched over the destinies of the all-conquering Wests, for time and again they were mezzetized into submission, when some lucky move, usually the old and trusted form of Bob Whyte, would get them out of a tight corner when the downfall of their citadel seemed unavoidable. Kicking down the alpine they went away in a line, and the Stars' were going nicely down the wing when he was neatly robbed by Burton. Sherratt then essayed a tester for Hetherington, but he was overpowered by the post. Phillips and Cumming on the Stars' right wing, although as the best referee that had ever set foot on a field in the Province.

PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION
Alex. Robertson, president of the A.C.F.A., made a strong appeal for the co-operation of all officials at the various clubs and associations, stating that given a little time the Junior association would soon be in as good a position as the senior association. Mr. Robertson referred to the statement that had been given some publicity that all boys in the public and high schools, over fourteen years of age, had been ordered to play rugby football and prohibited from playing association football, and stated that this would be fully investigated and if found to be correct, steps would be taken to have such unfair prohibition removed. Association players had no quarrel with the playing of rugby, but a ban of this kind could not be allowed to pass without protest.

Reeve Lockley, of Esquimalt, gave an eloquent address on the ethics of the game, and of the physical and mental discipline that it accords to the taking part in all branches of sport, not only to those who actually took part but to the looker-on and the community at large. He said of the desirability of having as many playgrounds and public parks as possible. The meeting closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

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Bays Almost Sure Of Fourth Championship

Famous Rugby Team Led by Boss Johnson Only Has to Defeat Navy to Cinch Barnard Cup For Another Year; Team Defeated Garrison in Hard Game on Saturday; Wanderers Accounted For Navy; School League Opens Up

It looks as if the officials of the Victoria Rugby Union can hand the Barnard Cup, emblematic of the senior rugby championship of Victoria, over to the J.B.A.A. for the fourth consecutive season. When the Bays conquered the Garrison on Saturday they removed their last serious obstacle from their path to victory. The Bays have yet to play the Navy, but on the form shown by the two clubs to date the champions should be able to snuff out the activities of the blue-jackets.

If the Navy defeats the Bays the Oak Bay Wanderers can create a tie, provided they win their two remaining games. The Bays have been the dominating factor in rugby for four seasons. They were seriously challenged this year by the Wanderers, but their heads held them in good stead and they came out victorious.

Some good rugby was played on Saturday, four games being played. The results were as follows:

Senior League
J.B.A.A. 19, Garrison 9.
Oak Bay Wanderers 11, Navy 9.

Intermediate League
Brentwood 8, Normal School 3.
Boys' Central and Margaret Jenkins 6, Oaklands and George Jay 0.

By defeating the Garrison rugby fifteen on Saturday afternoon at the Willows, by a score of 13-0, the J.B.A.A. can now rest assured of gaining the coveted Barnard Cup, which they will have won for the fourth consecutive time. Undoubtedly Boss Johnson's boys have the finest team on the island. It is composed of veterans and youngsters, and every man realizes his own individual responsibility, and plays with his head. Thus have the Bays gained the right to claim superiority.

Although the Garrison struggled gamely, led by the tireless Pendray and "Wildman" Crump, their efforts were unavailing. Once in a while he held back division, but for the most part, with Taylor, the skipper, always in the van, but the effectual tackling of the Bays and their speed and combination when on the attack, marked them as a far superior machine than their opponents.

For the first ten minutes play was undecided. First the Garrison would press, and then the Bays would counter-attack. But it was the Bays who scored first, a long run, with Taylor, the skipper, always in the van, but the effectual tackling of the Bays and their speed and combination when on the attack, marked them as a far superior machine than their opponents.

The fact that this young star was born right in the district added more to the interest that followed his work with the pros. He was born at Banff twenty-two years ago, and while still a baby the family removed to this city, where Foley grew up. He was always a leading light in athletics, more especially hockey, and still of immature years he stepped out with bigger and stronger company, but was always a star. He was featured in local junior sport, and in the season of 1918-19 he stepped into senior company, appearing with the Columbus Club when it won the provincial championship. That was the season when Foley scored to the critics that he was a coming star, for his style of play was finished, and his hook-check worked with great effectiveness. Next season the Canadians signed up Foley and the team went into action in the Independent League that included the Tigers and Canadians, of Calgary, and the Eskimos and Dominion, of Edmonton.

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J. D. McARTHUR, RAILWAY BUILDER, HERE

J. D. McArthur, of Winnipeg, well-known railway builder, is in the city on a visit. Mr. McArthur declines any intention of building more railways, saying that the public of Western Canada must now get revenue by the development of natural resources to pay for the railways already built. He expressed his satisfaction to find that the Coast cities were in a more prosperous condition than on the occasion of his last visit.

Angus, who is leaving for Portland, Ore. Gyro Bun Trevitt, chairman of the entertainment committee, called attention to the first annual ball which will be held to-morrow night at the Alexandra Club, and asked that all members be present.

MACAULEY POINT GOLF CLUB

The following are the eleven best scores made in the medal competition played on the Esquimalt links yesterday.

	Gross	Net
T. Amis	84	68
J. Davidson	85	69
Comdr. G. Stephens	86	70
A. Roberts	87	71
G. C. Paxton	89	73
W. G. Leckie	90	74
Mr. G. Sisman	94	78
G. Jones	96	80
E. Raybone	102	86
R. A. Wolfenden	104	88
J. Marshall	110	94

EVENTS TO COME

St. Mark's Church sale of work will be held in the hall on Wednesday next from 3 to 6 p.m., needlework, superfluties and afternoon tea. Social in the evening at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

An executive meeting of the W.A. to Canadian Legion will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.; general meeting, 8:30 p.m.

The Army and Navy Veterans will meet at headquarters on Tuesday, at 8 p.m., to elect officers for the ensuing year.

ARRESTED MAN TRAILED BY RADIO

Police Take Grand Larceny Suspect From Incoming Boat

Wireless telegraphy was called into play yesterday to arrest the progress of an alleged fugitive from justice. Radio messages from Chief Severn, of the Seattle Police, overhauled the boat on which Porter Pearson was travelling, and occasioned the arrest of the man at this port.

Pearson was taken ashore by officers from the City plain clothes department and handed over to an escort from the Seattle force. He will be taken back to the Sound in a ship in connection with a charge of grand larceny.

A concert will be given at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to-morrow evening at 8:15 o'clock, under the auspices of the Sunday school orchestra. The following artists will contribute to the programme: Mr. Matheson, Mrs. Duncan McTavish, Mrs. Tice and Miss Helen Robertson. This is the first concert to be held this season and will be the first of a series to be staged during the winter months.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

To-morrow evening members of the Sixteenth Battalion will hold a dance in the men's mess room, to which they have invited their friends on the unit. Dancing will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

As a result of the concert held in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium by the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society recently a credit balance of \$176.81, has been raised for the Jubilee Hospital fund.

The regular monthly meeting of the local members of the B. C. Coast Breeders' Association will be held to-night instead of next Monday. Business includes further discussion of the proposed milk certification scheme. Members are requested to attend and bring statistic and plebiscite forms.

Six hundred Canadians attending the annual re-union at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, December 23, will be presented with a souvenir of Victoria. All the men in attendance will receive an attractive greeting card, and the 200 ladies present will receive the card and a small package of Victoria grown lavender.

The monthly meeting of the Victoria and District Rabbit Breeders' Association will be held in the Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday at 8 p.m. R. Gordon, the manager of the fur department of the Hudson's Bay Co., will give a talk on "The Opportunities for the Development of the Rabbit on Vancouver Island, as a Fur Bearing Animal."

Over eighty people were guests at a most enjoyable student's recital and dance given on Saturday at the studio of Mr. Oliver R. Stoll, Cook Street. During the course of the evening the certificates won at the London College of Music Examinations were presented to the successful students. Miss Barbara Fraser was the recipient of the first class bronze medal, senior grade. Refreshments followed the excellent programme of music, and a grand orchestra provided up-to-date music for dancing.

At the annual meeting of the Oak Bay Liberal-Conservative Association, held on Saturday evening at St. Mary's Hall, Herbert Carmichael was elected president for the ensuing term. H. W. R. Moore opened the meeting. Other officers chosen include: Mrs. H. Randall, vice-president; R. G. Montclair, secretary; treasurer; and an executive consisting of Messrs H. W. R. Moore, J. C. McNeill, L. D. Rines, and Mrs. Randall. The meeting decided that a new constitution would be prepared and returned to the next gathering.

A blaze of mysterious origin under the wharf at the foot of Johnson Street, near the new Johnson Street bridgehead, is engaging the attention of the fire officials to-day. The blaze started under the planking about 6:45 p.m. yesterday, and required some attention from the brigade before yielding to a superior force. A false alarm at 11:15 p.m. caused the firemen to return to the firehouse. A blaze in a spare room at the Strand Hotel, Johnson Street, gave the fire crews a few minutes sharp work at 2:25 this morning.

JUVENILES ARE BLAMED FOR THEFT

Office Premises Entered and Handle of Safe Removed; Revolver Taken

Youths with a thirst for Wild Gulch Bill literature are blamed by the authorities for a primitive safe-cracking attempt made in the former office of the Taylor & McNeil, Government Street, some time during Sunday.

REVOLVER STOLEN

The office was visited by its owners on Saturday and found to be in perfect order. Returning to the premises to-day the owners found that the metal handle of a safe had been taken off with a screwdriver, and a revolver taken from a drawer in the office. The weapon was of an old pattern and thought to be useless, but it was welcomed, apparently by the raiders.

The affair is put down as the work of juveniles, and the attention of the police is bent on various clues in their possession. With the exception of the theft of the revolver, no loss was occasioned. The attempt on the safe was not a serious one for operations stopped short at the removal of a handle, which was purely ornamental in its character.

PROSPECTORS TO MEET

"The Rio-Tinto Mines, Spain," is the title of an illustrated lantern lecture to be given by W. A. Carlyle, the well-known mining engineer, before the Vancouver Island Prospectors' Association in the Hotel Arts and Crafts Clubroom, Union Bank Building, on Tuesday, December 11, at 8 p.m. A cordial invitation is given to the general public to attend this lecture, which is free.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Professor W. L. MacDonald will lecture at the Victoria College at 8:15 to-night on "Samuel Butler of Erewon."

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Customs Office at New York Lowers Cost of Goods on Coast

The announcement in Saturday's Times that the Federal Government had decided to appoint a customs officer in New York to facilitate the movement of waterbound freight from Eastern Canada to this coast is hailed with enthusiasm by business men in the city who have been fighting for such an appointment for many years past.

The matter is one which was up for discussion when the original Victoria Board of Trade was operating on Bastion Street, and the announcement follows upon frequent representations and more recently on the petition to the Hon. Jacques Bureau, Minister of Customs, when he visited Victoria recently.

A TREMENDOUS SAVING

Strong endorsement of the prospective appointment is given by J. H. Fletcher, of Fletcher Bros., a piano and music dealer, Mr. Fletcher states: "When British Columbia importers begin to realize what a tremendous saving it will mean on goods that will understand what a great deal it will mean to British Columbia. While most business men would prefer to patronize an all-Canadian route, things being equal, it is impossible for them to do so at present and compete with United States firms that are able to take advantage of the cheaper route. Freight from New York to Victoria is \$15 a 100. From Montreal to Victoria the rate is \$17.3 a 100. Canadian boats have only a theoretical sailing, whereas there are boats from New York every day, so it will mean not only a cheaper freight rate but a more steady delivery."

Pressing the point that he would rather use an all-Canadian route, Mr. Fletcher pointed out that doing so increased the price of goods in British Columbia and lays the market open to the United States competitor who used the cheaper route.

REASONS OBVIOUS

Clarence Deaville, of the Melrose Paint Company, remarked: "It will be a great help to the business men. They will be able to get their goods here cheaper. It is such an obvious advantage that it hardly needs comment," he said.

PUBLIC BENEFITS

C. P. W. Schwengera, president of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, said that Victoria dealers will be enabled to get goods here at lower cost, since freight rates will be lowered considerably. "In this way," he said, "the public will benefit to some extent. Previously freight rates were very high, but where we can now ship through New York by an overland route it will mean a saving. Previously, too, it was necessary to pay duty on goods shipped through American transportation concerns, but with the present mode of operation, we will not be required to pay these duties on goods coming through New York."

IN WINTER MONTHS

A. E. McLean, sales manager of Rithens Consolidated, Ltd., here, said that this new arrangement would be very useful to his company in the winter months, when the harbors of Montreal and St. John were closed to shipping. "This appointment of a Canadian customs officer in New York will be responsible for the lowering of prices on certain commodities shipped from the East to Victoria," he said.

ANTOMOBILES

Automobile men had already anticipated the coming of the new arrangement and had been exchanging correspondence with head office regarding shipments by water, stated H. E. Bayley, of Thomas Pimley, Ltd. If we bring cars that will be a great saving in freight. It would mean a reduction of about fifty per cent, but instead of getting them in a few days by rail from Toronto we would have to wait several weeks.

SAYS DONOR HAS CHANGED HIS MIND

South Africa to Get Pictures Destined For Victoria

Anticipation reigned at the City Hall to-day when a communication was received from the Agents-General in London through the Victoria Board of Finance, that the promised gift of pictures to Victoria by an unknown person in London had come to an abrupt and unexpected end.

According to Mr. Wade, the donor has now given his pictures to a closed place in South Africa, declaring that he has been informed Victoria had no suitable place to display them. This action has been taken apparently in spite of the specific cable from here stating that they would be ultimately housed in a fireproof building. Mr. Wade says he has done everything he could to assist the matter, but the South African interests will not give way, and thus the chance of Victoria getting the pictures is small.

These pictures, which were to have formed the nucleus of an art gallery, were thirty in number, and were on view at the Grosvenor Galleries when the negotiations for their presentation here were initiated.

Liberal Ball

"Will be One of Season's Events"

The Liberal League Social Club, which takes place on Wednesday night next in the Alexandra Club Ballroom, promises to be one of the popular social events of the season.

The Hon. John Oliver and Mrs. Oliver, with the Cabinet Ministers and their wives and the private members of the Government, expect to be present. Zola's sextet orchestra will dispense the latest dance music, and dancing will be under the direction of J. Levy.

Supper will be served in the dining-room, which is being decorated in the club's colors of purple and gold for the occasion.

Tickets can be obtained at Ivel's.

HIGH SCHOOL QUESTION

School trustees of Oak Bay desire to meet the electors of the district municipality, and explain the High School By-law to them. The meeting has been called at 8 o'clock Friday at the Willows School.

Drug Store, Heath & Co., real estate; Levy's Cigar Stand, or from any Ward president and at 209 Union Bank Building.

LIFE UNDERWRITERS CHOSE OFFICERS FOR YEAR TO FOLLOW

Colonel Lorne Ross Chosen by Acclamation as 1924 President

The nomination of officers for the year 1924 formed the feature of a luncheon meeting of the Victoria Life Underwriters' Association held in the Elks' Club Headquarters at noon to-day.

Col. Lorne Ross received the unanimous vote of the gathering for the 1924 presidency. R. A. Rayner was nominated for second vice-president, while Alex. Dyson was re-elected as secretary-treasurer by acclamation. An executive committee was elected. The list of nominees completed the list of nominations. H. M. S. Bell, president of the Victoria unit, occupied the chair at one of the best attended meetings of the organization in some time. The main address of the occasion was made by R. C. Nicholas, who won spirited applause at the close of an inspiring message.

The officers chosen will be seated in January, on the occasion of the annual general meeting.

Radio and Its Value to the Community

By CLEM DAVIES, D.D.

The religious, economic and social value to the community of radio is immeasurable. Imagine for instance just your own Province of British Columbia with perhaps 50,000 radio receiving sets. Victoria at a conservative estimate, has about 5,000.

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The radio is the greatest discovery of the age. It is a socializing, internationalizing and democratizing force which defies all superlatives. The manufacture of radio equipment now nudges in volume the greatest industries of the world. Factories are working overtime but cannot supply the insistent demand for every conceivable kind of radio apparatus.

The radio equipment is within the reach of everybody. The schoolboy, with a mechanical genius can sling up an aerial and with a few dollars, or even cents, have his own radio set, limited of course to only local reception.

The artist, preacher, lecturer and performer of yesterday interested and entertained their thousands. To-day the same individuals have in their audience, unseen but none the less present, their tens and hundreds of thousands.

Nowadays a man does not need to leave his house to attend and enjoy all the various functions that come knocking at his door. He can sit up and just at a time when it seemed on the verge of collapse the radio saved it.

Whole families are now contented to stay around the fire and turn up their set, put on their loud speaker and mother knits, father smokes his pipe, son and daughter do their homework, to the sounds coming over the air. A child can operate the average radio set. With a little turn of the knob, the family thus situated can at the will of the child listen to a concert from San Francisco, a speech from Portland, a programme from Calgary, and every imaginable diversion in entertainment from points as far as Pittsburgh, as well as a sermon from Dr. Mark Matthews, of Seattle.

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THE TIMES DAILY PICTURE PAGE



HERE IS BENITO MUSSOLINI, Italy's "man of iron," as an obscure volunteer in the Italian army in 1918.



SIR GANGA SINGH, Maharajah of Bikanir, India, is one of the best known hunters in his native land. In addition, he is a major-general in the British army, and was one of India's delegates at the peace conference.



DUNCAN MARSHALL, Dominion Commissioner of Agriculture, it is reported, is to be appointed chief organizer of the Liberal Party.



MAY RESIGN.—Illness may compel Hon. Edmund Bristol to resign the post of chief Ontario organizer of the Federal Conservative Party.



SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE, internationally known financier and railroad builder, is dead in Toronto. Above he is shown in three poses, with two views of his Toronto home.



When the Perfumers Flavor Lipsticks



HON. NELSON PARLIAMANT, Speaker of the last Ontario Legislature, will act as first lieutenant to W. B. N. Sinclair, new Provincial Liberal leader.



RT. HON. J. R. CLYNES, former British Food Controller, strongly supported during the campaign the capital levy scheme of the Labor Party as a means of reducing the national debt.



CAPT. AND MRS. ERNEST INGRAM, who were married in London recently. The bride was formerly Mrs. Enrico Caruso, widow of the world-famous tenor.

SCHOOL DAYS

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By DWIG



LADY BELPER, prominent in old land social and aristocratic circles.

BUDDIE AND HIS FRIENDS

By Robt. L. Dickes



AT THE THEATRES

Bill Hart Back in "Wild Bill Hickok," Capitol

Real Character, Action and a
"Knockout" Climax
in This Show

Bill Hart, popular actor of Western
dramas, will be presented at the
Capitol this week in an original story
written by himself. Bill Hart, after
an absence from the screen for two
years, has chosen this picture to
again introduce himself to his ad-
mirers.

The supporting cast is headed by
Ethel Gray Terry. Bill's favorite fa-
mous Pinto Pony is also well in evi-
dence throughout the picture. As a
picture, "Wild Bill Hickok" has met
with great success wherever shown.

AT THE THEATRES

Royal—"The Bond Boy."
Capitol—"Wild Bill Hickok."
Dominion—"Stephen Steps Out."
Columbia—"The Man Who Won."
Playhouse—"Thoughtless Women."

and is more interesting and thrilling
than ever.
It has everything to recommend it
a new special story, real character,
action, and a real "knockout" climax.

Play Hard and Work, Says Film's Oldest Admirer

"Stephen Steps Out," Paramount
Picture, Showing at Do-
minion Theatre

The oldest motion picture fan and
filmdom's newest star, in the persons
of former United States Senator Con-
nellus Cole and Douglas Fairbanks,
Jr., are great chums.

Despite his age of almost 101 years,
Senator Cole, sometimes referred to
as "the father of Hollywood" meets
young people on a common footing—
the absorbing topic of motion pic-
tures.

And so it was that he found keen
enjoyment in meeting at his home
young Fairbanks, the thirteen-year-
old hero of "Stephen Steps Out," a
Paramount picture adapted from
"The Grand Cross of the Crescent,"
by Richard Harding Davis, which will
be the big feature at the Dominion
Theatre for six days beginning to-
day.

On the other hand, young Fair-
banks was no less interested in the
centenarian, one of the few men liv-



Richard Barthelmess
and Mary Alden
in "The Bond Boy"

Feature Picture Showing at Royal Victoria Theatre To-night, Tuesday,
Friday and Saturday

lux who can t-utifully say "Lincoln
told me so and so."

"Study and hard work will accom-
plish for you anything upon which
you set your heart," the Senator
said. "You young folk don't realize
how fortunate you are. Why, take
motion pictures for instance. They
are an education in themselves.

They treat of all times, reflect the
customs of all people and present
every phase of life."

There was one subject on which a
difference of opinion developed and
the Senator rather enjoyed his little
joke when he learned that girls are
taboo with Doug. Jr.

"When I was a boy," he
chuckled, "we used to think a lot of
the girls. A party was a worthwhile
event only because it brought the
boys and girls together."

Doug. Jr., sidetracked the topic by
asking Senator Cole what sports
were popular when he was a boy.

"Well," he replied, "I was con-

sidered a pretty good skater on the
ice of a pond not more than fifty
yards across. We played a kind of
baseball, too, the forerunner of the
present national game. A circus was
something the whole countryside
turned out to see."

"I suppose you have played golf?"
the boy star queried.

No, I can't say that I have, unless
you could call our shiny games of
long ago a kind of golf. But I have
watched it played and it is a fine
sport and so is baseball, boxing and
swimming. Play as hard as you can
and your work will not be half as
hard. Get out of doors all you can.
That's where the automobile fits in.

Warsop, Nottinghamshire, Eng.—
Two bunches of graps suspended over
the altar have been stolen from the
parish church here. The fruit was a
part of the harvest festival decora-
tions. A historic window was shat-
tered by the burglars.

'The Bond Boy' Will Show Here Four Days This Week

Bloodhounds Were Too Real,
Thinks Richard Bar-
thelmess

The realistic touch which an actor
is required to give in motion pictures
sometimes is sufficient to make cold
chills run up and down your spine,
according to Richard Barthel-
mess, the popular First National star.

"I sure got that feeling when, in
"The Bond Boy" which is the attrac-
tion at the Royal Theatre Monday and
Tuesday, and Friday and Saturday
of this week, I was required to play
the part of a fugitive from justice
with bloodhounds on my trail," he
said.

"It was all very well in the old
days of Uncle Tom's Cabin" to play
Eliza crossing the ice even through
fierce-looking dogs with dripping
jaws and angry dogs pursued closely.
You see these dogs weren't blood-
hounds at all, but Great Danes,
chosen for their ferocious appearance,
and are really harmless as fleas. It
took us a month to find real blood-
hounds for "The Bond Boy," all dog
dealers complained that the miscon-
ception the public had of the type
had made them unprofitable to carry.
"I confess I was disappointed when
I saw them—two of them, looking
like black bird-dogs with their flop-
ping ears and long noses, and not
nearly so large as I expected. But
when they got after me—that was
another story."

To begin with, these same dogs
had been used to track murderers in
that locality in Virginia where we
filmed the picture, and were used to
staying on the job till they "got
the man."

"We found it necessary to use
their owner in the picture as he was
the only man who could restrain
them. I was very glad to have the
less tactics I was more than glad
to have him assure me that the
heavy chain by which he held them
was to be used all through the
chase. It would take a cane
Houdini to burst such bonds,"
thought.

"Now, if you know anything
about bloodhounds you know they
will never harm their quarry so
long as he is non-resistant when
brought to bay. That didn't help
me much for the picture called for
me to keep running no matter what
happened."

TALE OF A SHIRT

"To show you how realistic the
chase was, I will tell you that the
dogs were stood still, just as a bird
dog will signify the exact location
of a partridge or quail. And I had
the same feeling as the bird must
have in such a case."

The scene described by Mr.
Barthelmess will be depicted at the
Royal Theatre on Monday when
"The Bond Boy" begins an engage-
ment of four days.

Wild Bill "Goes West" in Blaze of Glory, Columbia

Dustin Farnum Appearing in
Fox Production, "The
Man Who Won"

Said to rival in power and inten-
sity Custer's last stand, the climax
of "The Man Who Won," Dustin Far-
num's latest William Fox production,
to open at the Columbia Theatre, for
an engagement to last for three days
commencing to-night, is indubitably
a production of considerable enter-
tainment possibilities.

Lord James is the ruling terror of
Suffering Creek, a locality also ap-
propriately named. His life is
made of feminine and gold con-
quests. He steals the wife of a
poor miner, leaving him with the
care of two small children. Re-
treating with her to his forest-fast-
ness, an invincible stronghold
maintained by his small army of
followers, he is followed by Peter,
the deserted husband.

Two days later Peter returns to
Suffering Creek dragged almost to
death by a horse to whose tail he is
tied. More of Lord James's in-
famy. Wild Bill, an honest fear-
less, feared gambler, intervenes him-
self in Peter's case. While Peter
had been away seeking to bring his
wife back Wild Bill had tended to
his kiddies.

Knowing the impossibility of
getting Lord James in his strong-
hold, Wild Bill decides to lure him
into the open by his dominating
passion for gold. He announces
that he will drive the annual coach,
loaded with the accumulated wealth
of Suffering Creek miners, to the
bank of Spaw Town.

Suffering Creek protests, saying
it is sheer suicide. But Wild Bill
persists, and drives out. He is sud-
denly ambushed by Lord James and
a host of the latter's men. Greatly
outnumbered, he nevertheless kills
Lord James and is himself mortally
wounded, going "West" in a
blaze of glory.

MUSIC LOVERS' NIGHT AT ROYAL

Something new in the way of over-
tures is promised by A. Prescott, di-
rector of the Royal Theatre Orches-
tra this evening. In addition to this,
he has also selected a very fine pro-
gramme of music to accompany the
feature picture, Richard Barthelmess
in "The Bond Boy," which is the fea-
ture attraction this week. Some of
the numbers to be rendered during the
evening are as follows:

March, "Entry of the Royals,"
T. Halvorsen

The Boyars were hereditary owners
of the soil in feudal Russia. The march
opens with a curious barbaric motive
played by the clarinets over a drone
bass of a primitive character. A shag-
ged, contrasting section—bold
bolder relief the pomp and color which
are picturesque elements of the com-
position.

Picture Music:
Suite, "Byzantine Scenes," Percy Fletcher
Suite, "Woodland Pictures," P. Fletcher
Song, "Boatman of the Volga," Cady
Song, "Eleanor," Deppen
Fox Trot, "Midnight Rose," Pollock
Fox Trot, "Love Tales."

AN OREGON DEATH

Portland, Ore., Dec. 10.—Clifton N.
McArthur, former representative in
Congress from the Third Oregon Dis-
trict and candidate for Republican
nomination for United States Senator
from Oregon, died last night.

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of it! Smile? Just
like his dad's!

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Alden

Mary
Thurman

Lawrance
D'Orsay

What a Picture

Your pulses will tingle
and your breath will
come fast also when
you absorb the charm-
ing love story that
threads its way to a
happy conclusion
through the tempestu-
ous plot.

COMEDY

Clyde Cook in "The Artist"

FOX NEWS

Richard Barthelmess in "The Bond Boy"

BANKING AND TRADE CONDITIONS EXHAUSTIVELY REVIEWED AT ANNUAL MEETING OF BANK OF MONTREAL

Hopeful Note on Canadian Business Situation—An Explanation of Why Banking Profits Have Decreased—Revision of Bank Act Discussed

The 16th Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held in the Board Room at the Bank Headquarters on Monday, December 10, 1923.

On motion of Lord Shaughnessy, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was requested to take the chair.

Mr. George Caverhill moved, seconded by Mr. G. B. Fraser, that Mr. W. R. Miller and Mr. Hartland B. Macdonald be appointed to act as scrutineers, and that Mr. C. H. Cronyn be the Secretary of this meeting.

This was carried unanimously.

The Chairman then read the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, to read the Annual Report of the Directors to the Shareholders at their 16th Annual General Meeting held on Monday, December 10, 1923.

Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., President, in addressing the Shareholders, said:

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Our banking year has been one of many perplexities. Our profits, in common with banks at home and abroad, are not so large as during the preceding years, but I feel sure it has been a gratification for you to know we have been able to pay our usual dividend as well as a two per cent bonus.

The lessened profits are due partly to the fact that our customers have leaned heavily upon us, but chiefly because we felt that in view of the possibility of untoward developments in the banking world, our cash reserves should be kept exceptionally strong, in order to be able to aid if and when called upon to do so.

There is also the incidence of much heavier taxation to be considered in connection with the balance sheet. Our resources, however, are so large and our earning power so constant that I have no misgivings as to the maintenance of substantial profits.

THE BANK ACT REVISION

The banking system of Canada has received an unusual degree of attention since our last meeting, partly in consequence of the failure of a small institution in the neighboring province and principally in connection with the decennial revision of the Bank Act.

It is unnecessary at this time to traverse again the denunciatory comments of credulous critics, the illusory schemes for enriching the country by unlimited printing the currency, or the peculiar tenets which regard banking as the instrument of capital and a public menace. Of all the radical remedies proposed to Parliament, practically none was new, nor had survived the test of experience, either in our own or other countries, and it was perhaps fortunate that at the very time currency inflation was urged, Germany presented impressive proof of the confusion, loss and privation occasioned by such policy.

The revised Bank Act embodies no novel principle. The new provisions of the banks remain very much as before, neither enlarged nor contracted; but provision has been made in the way of a public authority of auditors and better responsibility of directors, by which means it is hoped to strengthen the safeguards for depositors and shareholders. It is true to say that however rigid the law, the solvency of banks—as, for that matter, of all business—depends upon the integrity, diligence and perspicacity of the management.

The amended Act continued to the banks scope for wide and helpful operation in finance and commerce, restrained by no considerations of safety, but not so hampered as to prevent fair profits under prudent discretion. In this connection it may be observed that, despite the notice held in some quarters respecting the profitable nature of banking, capital has not greatly sought this source of investment. In the quarter ending March 31, 1923, the capital of Canadian banks remained stationary, and in the subsequent twenty years of rapid commercial development, less than \$50,000,000 was added. Banking resources, apart from deposits, have been derived for many years past more from accumulated profits than from new capital, a condition which it may become desirable to correct when trade expands and the banks maintain an adequate note circulation.

BUSINESS IN CANADA

I regard the state of trade in Canada as having improved during the year. Statistical evidence supports this conclusion. Bank clearing, railway receipts, foreign commerce have all increased. Stability of commodity prices has been a favorable factor, encouraging confidence and inducing freer buying. The substantial decrease in unemployment, which has virtually reached the zero mark—is an unerring sign of better business. There has been more building activity, lumbering operations have increased and the important pulp and paper industry is working close to capacity. Textile manufacturing has been brisk throughout the year, and I regret that as much cannot be said of the woollen industry. The mineral output is well-maintained, with prospects of undiminished production of precious metals. When the European field is surveyed, there is indeed cause for congratulation that business in Canada has held up so well.

AGRICULTURAL CONDITIONS

The crown of a bountiful harvest has been reaped, the wheat crop greatly exceeding any former yield. In a country so vast as Canada, variation in production is inevitable, both in quantity and quality, and it is no misgiving that southern Manitoba and portions of southern Saskatchewan have suffered a partial crop failure from insect pests and unfavorable weather, but taking the harvest as a whole, it has been both abundant in yield and excellent in quality.

It is true that prices of cereals continue low, giving scant profit to grain growers, but even at prevailing quotations, the enormous stores of wheat gathered represents an amount of money the circulation of which should stimulate business, not alone in the West, but throughout the Dominion and permit much liquidation of debts in agricultural areas. The crop has been moved expeditiously by our railways, and despite the diminished buying power of Europe, is in fair way to be fully marketed before another is reaped.

With the relatively low price of wheat, the grain trade is in a position to avail herself of her cheaper production facilities, she must to the extent that she can pay take a certain amount of goods from us to fill her wants, but as she slowly emerges from this condition and produces more efficiently, she will be able not only to supply her wants, but to compete with us more effectively.

THE NATIONAL RAILWAY

It is a satisfaction to learn from the published reports that under the new management of the National Railway the earnings show a surplus over working expenses in the operations of the first nine months, which may be appreciably increased by the close of the year.

It must not be overlooked, however, that the Company has issued Bonds during the year, guaranteed by the Dominion Government, constituting an obligation of Canada for interest as well as principal, so that a material portion of surplus operating revenue will be absorbed by new capital charges.

THE QUESTION OF INFLATION

The relative prosperity of business in the United States and Canada in the last year or two is both a cause and effect of the greater stability of prices. A falling market is fatal to trade. Manufacturers will not extensively produce, nor merchants freely purchase when prices are declining, which fact there was abundant evidence during the late deflation. Since 1921, commodity prices have held upon the average at a level 25 per cent above the prices of 1914. This is a consequence of the fact that the products of the soil, and as a consequence business has been conducted with greater confidence. Criticism is sometimes made that restriction of bank credits produced the sharp reaction from the post-war boom and the opinion has been expressed that an extension of these credits would give impetus to business. It may point out that the recurring cycles of commercial ebb and flow are not regulated by credit or currency, but by a higher economic law. It is impossible to obviate trade depression by persistent emission of currency, and the question of money is a matter of degree.

There has come since we last met a little hope that the problem of immigration is in the way of a successful solution. This is generally acknowledged to be the most important question confronting the country. The Federal Government is pursuing the quest for people with greater earnestness through its various agencies, and the long-maintained activities of the Canadian Pacific Railway in a like direction are undiminished. This year a relatively large increase in the number of newcomers has occurred, and though the figures are still small, I am not without hope that the coming year will witness a material enlargement.

THE BURDEN OF TAXATION

I make no apology for stressing again the desirability, one might even say the imperative, of moderating public taxation, federal, provincial and municipal, in order to lighten the load pressing upon business and deterring development of resources. The margin of profit in all business is seriously curtailed by the accumulation of taxation, a condition that retards enterprise and discourages thrift. In making this remark, I am not unmindful of some recent signs of improvement. The rising revenue of the Dominion Government promises a balanced budget at the close of the fiscal year, and it is out of this, with further reduction in taxation, comes some remission of direct taxation upon trade, it will undoubtedly operate to the general advantage.

RESERVE OF READY MONEY

The prompt response to the recent appeal of the Finance Minister for aid to retire the maturing Victory Bonds is gratifying evidence of the ready resources of the Canadian people. Subscriptions aggregating \$200,000,000 made within a week is an event scarcely less notable than the successful launching of large loans during the war; yet even this formidable amount represents less than one-half the investment made during this year in public securities by the people of Canada, more than \$400,000,000 of which have been absorbed. We are beginning to do our own financial housework, possibly the reluctance to engage in new business enterprises may have been a factor in the large accumulation of ready money available for investment.

OUR FOREIGN TRADE

Despite the disorganized state of European markets, the foreign trade of Canada has been gradually expanding. In the seven months ending October 31, the aggregate of this trade amounted to \$1,094,544,000, a gain of \$172,861,000, or about 18 per cent, over the corresponding period last year. The enlargement of imports began in August of 1921 and has since continued without interruption, while in lesser degree exports have followed the same course. This healthy and hopeful sign of recovery trade derives additional significance from the fact that it is not the consequence of rising prices but of augmented quantity movement. Notable is the revival of the export trade in wood and wood products, which in the last seven months has reached nearly as large a value as in the whole fiscal year 1921-22, and which bids fair to retain its activity by reason of the dependability of the United States market for our pulp and paper. The decrease of \$10,700,000 in exports of agricultural products since March last is attributable to the later period at which the recent harvest was reaped, and as the great store of grain in the West moves to market, this deficiency should be overcome. What is more to be apprehended is a lessening of the purchasing power of Europe, which is a satisfactory aspect of our foreign trade is the sustained excess of exports over imports, the favorable balance in the last seven months having been \$18,222,000, and for the year, \$52,000,000.

As long as Europe is not in a position to avail herself of her cheaper production facilities, she must to the extent that she can pay take a certain amount of goods from us to fill her wants, but as she slowly emerges from this condition and produces more efficiently, she will be able not only to supply her wants, but to compete with us more effectively.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK IN CANADA

The outlook in Canada, as I see it, is for a continuance of reasonably satisfactory conditions with

possibly some further revival in trade, but we cannot hope for substantial and permanent betterment until world-wide conditions show a marked improvement, and this is likely to take some time.

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager of the Bank, then made his annual address as follows: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—The one hundred and sixth annual balance sheet of the Bank is now before you for your consideration, and in accordance with custom, I shall comment upon the changes therein during the year, also upon the conditions under which we have operated, and which have had a bearing on our affairs and affected our welfare.

It has been a trying year for Canadian bankers, probably as trying as any year since Confederation in 1867. The "mania of cash" has been a consequence of the loss and distress resulting from the disorganization of business and industry a spirit of universal depression has gripped the individuals, inquiring then, listen to the vain pretensions of agitators promising quick relief from ills which have developed themselves in groups, business principles can cure. Nevertheless, we are better off in this respect than is the case with others, for the fact that it is a passing phase, nothing more.

Also, at this particular juncture economic and political confusion abroad necessarily reacts upon this country. A falling market, which it seems more than ever apparent that for all time our economic well-being must be under the special influence of the world's financial States of America. It is so important to bear this in mind that I may be excused if I repeat the remark that an extension of these credits year ago—Canada cannot progress as she should until our cost of living and our taxation are less than across the water.

Canada's economic position will not be satisfactory until we succeed in balancing our public revenue and expenditure, including railways.

I venture to suggest to the Government that a healthy and more widespread interest in the finances of our Dominion would be stimulated by the publication regularly in the press of simple standardized figures giving an account of the work of the various departments, including the result of our National Railway operations.

For the time being we are handicapped in three distinct respects, two of which are common to all countries engaged in the war, the vesting of our funds, and the endeavoring to balance their budgets, viz, high cost of living and high taxation. Further, Canada is suffering from lack of adequate population.

As the first two handicaps diminish, we shall doubtless attract a greater volume of immigration, and what is still more important, we shall retain in the people who come to our shores, the interest in their own interests than in those of their customers. When, however, prices have become stabilized in the world's markets and there is reason to expect the continuance of that condition, no undue restriction is placed upon credits, nor dependent borrowers turned empty-handed away.

In my opinion, further deflation would incur the risk of depressing industry and would not be in the interests of the country at this juncture. The ultimate goal to which our financial policy must be directed should be the gold parity, but under existing conditions we must make haste slowly.

CONDITIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

The best opinions agree that while certain industries in the United States, including wheat raising, are not prospering, business conditions on the whole are on a sound and generally satisfactory basis. There is not the same volume of future orders on the books of manufacturers that there was a year ago, for the reason that the jobber and retailer, who are buying from the manufacturer, are buying from the manufacturer himself a large inventory of raw material or manufactured goods on hand.

The United States has a valuable concentrated domestic market and high production costs are to an extent overcome by capacity operations. Business is being conducted conservatively, but the volume remains.

Apart from the districts where wheat growing is the sole industry business in the West is particularly good. There is no complaint from the farmers of such States as Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, where diversified farming is practiced.

The country is considered to be operating on a sound financial basis and has an economic condition from which over-expansion and inflation are absent, while labor troubles have been of late much less acute.

CONDITIONS IN EUROPE

The unsettled state of European countries give serious concern and grave anxiety to those engaged in finance and commerce. Instead of realizing the improvement hoped for a year ago, the situation has become worse to the detriment of international trade and a further decline in the value of continental currencies. We in Canada do not escape the pernicious consequences of an impoverished Europe; these appearing in contracted exports and diminished imports. While large populations remain destitute of employment and the means of purchase, there will be restraint of trade, with its reaction in both production and prices. Canada has been fairly fortunate thus far in finding foreign markets for her products.

Great as is the need for a sound and satisfactory condition financially, but trade conditions leave much to be desired. Unemployment is serious, but is condition is ameliorated to some extent by Government work on public utilities, roads, etc., coupled with large railway extensions, which should stimulate the internal trade of the country.

There is apparently no lack of money available for investment, and were it not for the exchange factor, Canadian Dominion and Provincial issues would be well received in London.

In France the people are starving since March last, but it is attributed to the large numbers of men in the army, there is no unemployment problem.

Crops in Europe generally are well above the average.

Domestic conditions in Germany are desperate and as her currency is virtually worthless for provisioning the country, it is believed she is living on her accumulated resources abroad. When these are depleted, the state of affairs will be worse than it is at present.

cliers of Canada during the past fifty-five years, with such amendments as the events of the last ten years have suggested for its improvement from the standpoint of the public welfare.

It is opportune to point out that the powers and functions of the Association seem to be completely adequate for the public, who have sought to impose on the Association responsibilities for which it is in no way liable and which are outside its lines.

"For the information of the public in general, the objects of the Association, as expressed in the act of incorporation, are to promote generally the interests and efficiency of banks and bank officers, to educate and train those contemplating employment in banks, to arrange for lectures, discussions, competitive papers on commercial law and banking, and to publish and carry on the Journal of the Association.

The only duties since imposed upon the Association by the Government are with regard to circulation and the appointment of a Curator, etc., in the event of a bank not meeting its liabilities.

It will be noticed that the balance sheet is somewhat differently arranged from the former one, in conformity with the provisions of the newly revised Bank Act. The chief change under liabilities is the addition of "Advances by the Government under the Bank Act." As we are not borrowing from the Dominion Government, we show no amount under this heading.

On the assets side of the balance sheet the notable new classification is "Non-current Loans." Needless to say, this feature of the balance sheet has been dealt with by our Directors in accordance with the Act.

Another new classification is "Shares of and Loans to Controlled Companies," an item which we formerly carried as securities and loans. The particulars thereof are before you.

As a result of lessened business activity, our own current loans are less by \$5,000,000 than a year ago. This means a lower earning power, because the funds so released have to be invested in gilt-edged securities or employed in call loans in New York and London upon which we receive a lower rate of interest.

I may say that the loaning department of our business is scrutinized with unremitting care by the Bank's executive and by our Board, and so of what is judged, specific and full provision has been made for all revealed and possible losses.

Our total deposits show a net decrease for the year of \$25,000,000. This is due for by the withdrawal of certain large government and corporation balances, which were

required during the year for special purposes. I am pleased to report a steady and satisfactory growth in our savings deposits, which have increased by some \$22,000,000 since our last annual meeting.

INCREASED INVESTMENT

Our investments now stand at \$103,000,000, an increase of \$45,000,000 during the year. The increase is in the form of gilt-edged securities readily realizable, so that we shall be in a position to meet the borrowing requirements of our customers when the country enjoys a return of industrial activity.

As an indication of the expenses your Bank is under in the matter of taxation I may say that our Dominion, Provincial and Municipal taxes in Canada during the bank year amounted to no less than \$1,300,000, in addition to which we paid full income taxes on our earnings in New York and London and elsewhere abroad.

Our liquid resources in London have continued to be profitably employed throughout the year, although consistently cheap money and low discount rates have limited the margin of profit earned.

As has been the case for a number of years past, exchange rates have prevented the issue of Canadian public loans in the United States, in pre-war times, constituted a very important feature of our business in that centre. The London market, however, is ready to absorb sound securities at rates favorable to the borrower, and we have not abandoned the hope that, before long, an improvement in exchange will take place, which will allow of a resumption of Canadian borrowing in London.

No opportunity is lost, either by our London or our Canadian offices, in affording every assistance, our facilities will allow towards developing trade relations between the two countries.

British manufacturers are taking a greater interest in the Canadian market.

There will no doubt be a great influx of visitors to London next year, in connection with the British Empire Exhibition, and I trust our customers from Canada and elsewhere will make full use of the services of our offices in that centre. Our Waterloo Place Branch will be of particular usefulness, situated, as it is, in the West End, and within easy reach of the hotels and shops.

While our Paris Office continues to be a great convenience to our Canadian and others visiting France, it is also making steady progress in extending the business on general lines, and its facilities are being made use of to an increasing extent.

We have repeatedly received from travelers abroad the heartiest testi-

mony to the helpful service of our establishments overseas.

In New York, where we have had an agency for sixty-four years and where we occupy a position of first importance among the foreign banks, our business continues to show steady growth.

There has been little change in general conditions in Mexico during the past year, and our business in that country continues to be conducted along conservative lines.

In order to provide better facilities for a number of influential customers, and at their earnest request, we opened a branch at Puebla, the Capital of the State of Puebla, in the centre of a rich agricultural district and headquarters for a number of important industries.

The growth of our business in Mexico City has necessitated the moving of our branch to larger and more commodious quarters in the centre of the financial district. The staff now numbers 112.

In September, the Mexican Government was accorded formal recognition by the Governments of both the United States and France.

THANKS TO OFFICERS

Mr. Zephirin Hebert then moved, seconded by Mr. John Patterson, that the thanks of the Meeting be tendered to the President, the Vice-President and Directors for their attention to the interests of the Bank.

In speaking to this resolution Mr. Herbert said:

"Nothing could give me more honor or pleasure than to move this vote of thanks to the President, the Vice-President and the Directors of this Bank for the splendid results they have attained during the past fiscal year. It has been customary for the Shareholders of this Bank to receive satisfactory reports from year to year, but for us to receive such a report as this, in times such as the present, emphasizes the fact that the gentlemen at the head of this institution are inspired by the fundamental principles and traditions which during so many years have earned for the Bank of Montreal the high standing it to-day enjoys."

The Directors of the Bank of Montreal have always been composed of men whose character, dignity and impressive knowledge of affairs has been a sure guarantee that the Bank of Montreal will at all times live up to its proud claim to be the head of the entire confidence of the whole community. It is with very great pleasure that I express our thanks to the Officers and Directors in this way." (Applause.)

Mr. John Patterson briefly seconded the resolution.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman, on behalf of his colleagues and myself, I am deeply

indebted to you for this proof of your continued confidence in us and the administration of the Bank over which we have the honor to preside.

His Honor Henry Cockshutt, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, then moved, seconded by Lt.-Col. Molson, that the thanks of the meeting be tendered to the General Manager, the Assistant General Managers, the Superintendents, the Managers and other officers of the Bank for their services during the past year.

Speaking to this motion His Honor Henry Cockshutt briefly referred to the eminent ability that had been shown by the officers of the Bank during the past years of disturbed financial conditions, expressing his conviction that it was due to such able management that the Bank had preserved its stability and the confidence of the whole public, not only of Canada but throughout the world.

The motion was carried, with applause.

In replying to this the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, said:

Gentlemen, I have to thank you for your very thoughtful resolution, which, I assure you, is deeply appreciated. I also have to convey to you on behalf of the Assistant General Managers, Superintendents, Inspectors, Managers and general staff of the Bank their grateful thanks for your kind reference to their services during the past year.

"I am sure you will not consider it out of place for me to remark that I have an abiding fellow feeling for the officials of the Bank, and to me it is a privilege that in point of zeal, efficiency and organization our staff situation is highly satisfactory." (Applause.)

The ballot for the appointment of Auditors and the election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with.

The Scrutineers appointed for the purpose reported that Messrs James Hutchison, C.A., and Charles Hodgson, C.A., were duly appointed Auditors and the following gentlemen were elected Directors:—Messrs Angus, I. H., Ashdown, E. W., Beatty, K.C., H. W., Beaulieu, His Honor Henry Cockshutt, General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., H. R. Drummond, G.B.E., Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., C.R. Hosmer, Harold Kennedy, William McMaster, Sir Isaac McMillan, E. W. Menzies, K.C., Lieut.-Colonel Herbert Molson, C.M.G., M.C., The Right Honorable Lord Shaughnessy, K.C., J. A. James, Esq., and E. W. Menzies, Esq.

The meeting then terminated.

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R. R. F. SEWELL, C.M.C.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the Estate of HENRY SAMUEL CROTTY, late of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, deceased, who died on the 22nd day of September, 1923, and whose Will was proved in the Victoria Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the 22nd day of November, 1923, by Clara Henrietta Crotty, King, Arthur R. Walsh and Thomas Henry McCauley Crotty, the Executors therein named, ARE HEREBY REQUIRED to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the said Executors on or before the 7th day of January, 1924, after which date the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice.

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The remains are resting at the R.C. Funeral Chapel, where service will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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CHRISTIANITY is not a set of opinions, but a life in the Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the Bible says: "Thou hast called us to Eternal Life." Free P.O. Box 175. d12-17

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PRICE ONLY \$2,750, EASY TERMS

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The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 10.—5 a.m.—The barometer is falling in advance of an ocean storm which may cause general easterly to southerly gales. The weather is mild in Alberta and cold in Manitoba.

Temperature	Max.	Min.
Victoria	42	38
Vancouver	42	38
Nelson	38	32
Edmonton	36	26
Calgary	36	26
Winnipeg	34	24
Toronto	46	36
Ottawa	46	36
Montreal	44	34
Halifax	56	46

Reports
Victoria—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; minimum,

THREE GOOD ONES TO PICK FROM

GOVERNMENT STREET—One block from—Dallas Road, modern eight-roomed dwelling, in need of some repairs; large lot, garage, etc. This property has been held at \$1,500, but now reduced to \$1,250 for quick sale. Reasonable terms can be arranged.

NIAGARA STREET—Price only \$1,900 cash. Modern bungalow of four rooms, only one block from Beacon Hill Park; large lot, good garden.

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NEW—four-room bungalow, on Port-Beach, contains large living-room with fireplace and lovely marine view, two bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, dining-room and three-piece bathroom; large deep lot with beach and good place for lawn. Price \$3,500, half cash. You will agree that it is worth the money.

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A BEAUTIFUL place of property and well situated. Land is practically all cleared and has a number of very nice shade trees, also a small cottage. Price only \$4,000.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

The Sandman-Story For To-night

JIMMY SKUNK BARGAINS WITH MR. FOX

Mr. Fox did not intend to ask any favors of Jimmy Skunk. In fact he intended to keep as far away from him as possible. But one time he moved and to his surprise he found he had Jimmy Skunk for a neighbor.

He knew it was best to be friendly with Jimmy for his temper was quickly aroused. And when it was the air was not pleasant for anyone around. So the next night after Mr. Fox had moved into his new home, Jimmy Skunk asked him if he would like to have him tell him about the farms around those parts.

Mr. Fox said he would. And he did want to know and Jimmy was as good as picking farms where the hunting was good as any one. But he did not know for the information Mr. Fox had hard work to answer pleasantly.

But he did know all about Jimmy's quick temper. "I shall be

glad to pay your price, Mr. Skunk," he replied. "That is, if it is within my means."

"How would a basket of eggs do?" said Jimmy. "You do not care for them and you find many, I am sure, that you leave behind you when you carry off the hen."

"I shall be glad to give you a basket of eggs," answered Mr. Fox. "Now where are the farms?"

"Farm, you mean, Mr. Fox," said Jimmy. "You mean, Mr. Fox, that you will give me a basket of eggs. But as you can't get the eggs until I tell you where the farm is, to-night I will trust you."

"You must get two baskets of eggs, Mr. Fox. If you wish to know where there is another farm for you to visit to-morrow night—one basket to pay for to-night and the other in advance for what I shall tell you to-morrow night."

"Well, of all the miserly creatures, Jimmy Skunk is the miserliest," said Mr. Fox, not knowing there was no such word as that but feeling the very worst thing he could say about Jimmy was none too severe.

There was one more thing he thought, but go when Mr. Skunk called at his house that evening and told him he would show him the farm, where the program was a one act play called, "The Bracelot," those taking parts were: Medames, Best, C. Springfield, J. James and A. Smith, Messrs. King, Springfield, Morris and Briggs.

part of the program, Miss P. Taylor, gave two dances; solos by Mrs. Warren, Mr. Morris and Miss Milford.

Mrs. Jones sang a song, "The Sheik," with chorus and a dance. After the entertainment the floor was cleared for dancing which went on till midnight.

Major Day, of Quesnel, who is on his way to England, is staying with his sister, Mrs. Richmond.

There was a football match played on Mahon grounds on Thursday afternoon, between the Victoria and the former winning by one goal to nil.

PENDER ISLAND
Pender Island, Dec. 10.—A humorous play was produced at Port Washington by local artists called "Attendance."

The following was the programme: Mrs. Nemesby Mrs. Scott
Miss Excelsiora Mrs. P.
Grimm.

Mr. Robert Brown Mr. Scott
Count von der Dettler Mr. C. Clague
Miss Nemesby Miss Shell
Waiter Mr. Bridge

At the end of the play refreshments were served, and then everyone danced till 3 a.m. The proceeds are to be given to build a War Memorial for Port Washington.

A meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held in the school. There was a small attendance. The President, Mrs. Corbett, was in the chair.

THE STEP ON THE STAIR

BY ANNA KATHARINE GREEN

Author of "The Leavenworth Case," "The Filigree Ball," "The Mystery of the Hasty Arrow," Etc.

"If plenty of water were used, the change in color would hardly be perceptible."

"Thank you, doctor; we can release you now."

"The doctor stepped down, whereupon a process was called to the dis-appointment and evident chagrin of a great many."

"The mood of the Coroner changed with the afternoon session. He was curter in speech and less patient with the garrulity of his witnesses. Perhaps he dreaded the struggle which he foresaw awaited him."

"He plunged at once into the topic he had left unfinished and at the precise point where he had left off. Wealthy had resumed her place on the stand."

"Where I always did—on the shelf hanging in the corner on the further side of the bed—the side towards the window. I did this so that it would not be picked up by mistake for a glass of water left on his stand."

"Tell that to the jury again, Mrs. Starr. That the soothing medicine of which you speak was in a glass of water left on his stand."

"The water in a glass standing on the table on the near side of the bed."

"Excuse me, Doctor Jones, I did not mean to say that there was any glass of water on the small stand that night. There was not. He did not seem to want it, so I left the water in a pitcher on the table by the hearth. I only meant that it being my usual custom to have it there I got in the habit of putting anything in the way of medicine as far removed from it as possible."

"Mrs. Starr, when did you prepare this soothing medicine on you call it?"

"Soon after I entered the room."

"Before Mr. Bartholomew slept?"

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Tell me, you did it, where you did it and what Mr. Bartholomew said while you were doing it—that is, if he said anything at all."

"The bottle of this medicine was kept, as I have already said, with all the other medicines, in the cabinet hanging in the upper passage-way."

"Every time I came to the chart, I took a pitcher on the large table to the left of the fire-place. Filling a glass with the water which I had drawn myself, I went to the medicine cabinet and got the bottle containing the drops the doctor had ordered for this purpose, and carrying it over to the table, together with the medicine-dropper, added the customary ten drops to the water and put the bottle back in the cabinet and the glass with the medicine in it on the table. Mr. Bartholomew's face was turned my way and he naturally followed my movements as I passed to and fro; but he showed no special interest in them, nor did he speak."

"Was this before or after you dropped the curtain on, the other side of the bed?"

"After."

"Usually, you see Miss Orpha's picture hangs between the window and was company for him if he chanced to wake in the night."

"Again that sob, but fainter than before and to me very far off. Or was it that I felt so far removed myself—pushed aside and back from the grief and sufferings of the family? The heads which turned at this low but pathetic sound were soon turned back again as the steady questioning went on."

"You speak of going to the medicine cabinet. It was your business, no doubt, to go there often."

"Very often; I was his nurse, you see."

"There was another bottle of medicine kept there—the one labeled 'Dangerous.'"

"Yes, sir."

"You see that bottle when you went for the soothing mixture you speak of?"

"No, sir." This was very firmly said. "I wasn't thinking of it, and the bottle I wanted being in front of

just pulled it out and never looked at any other."

"This other bottle—the dangerous one—where was that kept?"

"Way back behind several others. I had put it there when the doctor told us that we were not to give him any more of that special medicine without his orders."

"If you went to this cabinet so often you must have a very good idea of just how it looked inside."

"I know, sir; her voice falling to a trifle—at least; I thought I detected a slight change in it if the emotion she had so bravely kept under up to this moment was beginning to make itself felt."

"Then tell us, if everything looked natural to you when you went to it this time, everything in order—nothing displaced."

"I did not notice. I was too intent on what I was after. Besides, if I had, well, go on."

"Her brows puckered in distress; and I thought I saw her hand tremble where it showed amid the folds of her dress. If no other man held his breath at that short interim in which not a sound was heard, I did. Something was about to fall from her lips."

"If I had observed any disorder such as you mention I should not have thought it at all strange. I am not the only one who has seen the cabinet. His daughter often went to it, and the young gentlemen, too."

"Both of them?"

"Yes, sir."

"What should take them there?"

"Her head lifted, her voice steadied, she looked the capable, kindly person of a few moments ago. That thrill of emotion was gone; perhaps I have overemphasized it."

"The Coroner paused. During the most trying moment of my life every eye in the room turned on me, not one on Edgar."

"I stood stock-still; a feeling I endeavored to crush making havoc in my heart."

"Then the command came: 'Continue with your story. You have given us the incident of the night such as you observed them before Mr. Bartholomew slept; you will now relate what happened after.'"

"I watched her hand. It had clenched itself tightly and then loosened as these words rang out from the seat of authority. The preparation for what she had to tell had been made; the time had now come for its relation. She began quietly, but who could tell how she would end."

"For an hour I kept watch on the curtain side of the bed. It was very still in the room, so deathly still that after awhile I fell asleep in my chair. When I woke it was suddenly and with a start of fear. I was too confused at first to move and as I sat listening, I heard a slight sound on the other side of the bed, followed by the unmistakable one of a softly closing door. My first thought, of course, was for my patient and throwing the curtain aside, I looked through. The room was light enough, for one of the logs on the hearth had just broken apart. I saw the light made it up. Mr. Bartholomew's face and showed me that he was sleeping. Relieved at the night, I next asked myself who could have been in the room at an hour so late, and what this person wanted. I was not frightened, now that I was fully awake, and being curious, nothing more, I drew the curtain from before the passage-way at my back and, stepping to the door beyond, opened it and looked out."

"Here she became suddenly silent, and so intent was she on the participation of what her next words would reveal, that the shock caused by this unexpected break in her story, vented itself in a sort of gasp from the parched lips and throats of the more

excitable persons present. It was a sound not often heard save on the theatrical stage at a moment of great suspense, and the effect upon the witness was so strange that I forgot my own emotion in watching her as she opened her lips to continue and then closed them again, with a pitiful glance at the Coroner."

"He seemed to understand her and made a kindly effort to help her in this sudden crisis of feeling."

"Take your time, Mrs. Starr," he said. "We are well aware that testimony of this nature must be painful to you, but it is necessary and must be given. You opened the door and looked out. What did you see?"

"A man, rather, the shadow of a man outlined very dimly on the further wall of the hall."

"What man?"

"I do not know, sir."

"She did; the woman was lying. No one ever looked like she did who was in doubt as to what she saw. But the Coroner intentionally or unintentionally blind to this very decided betrayal of her secret still showed a disposition to help her."

"Was it so dark?"

"Yes, sir. The electric light at the stair-head had been put out, probably by him as he passed, for—"

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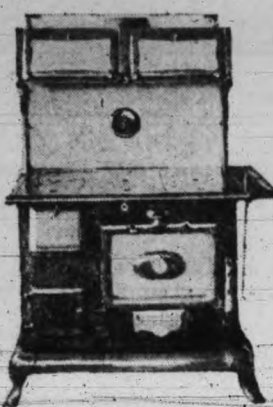
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Victoria Poultry Association Will Hold Annual Show

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Some British Members Have Toured in B.C. in Recent Years

A number of the members elect and candidates in the British election are known here, having visited during the last few years. The only member of the Baldwin ministry who has recently visited this city is Neville Chamberlain, now Chancellor of the Exchequer, who in a short period since he came here has been both Postmaster General and Minister of Health.

Sir Hamer Greenwood, former Irish Secretary, who was in Victoria for his honeymoon some years ago, and has relatives in Vancouver, was unsuccessful in Sunderland.

A number of British M.P.'s accompanied the Montreal Board of Trade delegation to British Columbia in September of last year, and among them was W. G. Perring, who has been returned in North Paddington. Another London member who visited this city in 1920 with the Imperial Press party is T. F. Naylor, who carried Southeast Southwark for Labor.

With the same party was Lord Apsley, the heir of Earl Bathurst. Lord Apsley's interest in newspaper proprietorship comes from his mother, who is owner of The London Morning Post, the organ of British Toryism and protection. The young member—he was the youngest of the 1920 party—has been placed at the head of the poll at Southampton.

Dr. W. A. Chapple, who has been returned for Dumfries, made a considerable stay in this city some years ago. On the other hand, only a few hours between steamers was given to the city by Philip Snowden, the Labor Socialist, who was on a world tour for his health at the time.

Another Labor man who appears in the list is W. S. Royce, who was again chosen for a Lincolnshire seat. He came out here in 1922 with a party from Eastern Canada. The member for the Rye division of Sussex, G. L. Courthope, also was a visitor here some months ago.

Sir R. Wintre, apparently has ended his association with South-west Norfolk. He came to the Island to look into the soldiers' settlement at Merville, being an authority on agricultural matters. He has, however, been returned for the Gainsborough Division of Lincolnshire.

Hon. E. C. Harcourt, who was on his way to Victoria when the Legislature occurred, and hurried home, is returned again in the Isle of Thanet.

Gyros Will Hold First Annual Ball on Tuesday Night

One of the most successful balls of the season will be staged at the Alexandra Club on Tuesday evening by the Gyro Club. This will be the first annual ball that the club has put on and it is expected that it will attract a very large attendance.

Dancing will commence at 9 p.m., and will continue until 1 a.m. The music will be furnished by a six-piece orchestra under the conductorship of Gyro Chris Wade, who will render an attractive programme of the latest dance music.

Supper will be served during the evening, while the ballroom will be tastefully decorated with flowers. A strong committee, headed by Gyro Trevitt, have all arrangements well in hand, and everything that will add to the comfort of the Gyros and their friends will be provided.

Tickets for the ball have been in great demand, and those intending patronizing the affair are advised to make their reservations at once, in order to avoid last-minute disappointment for the number of tickets is limited. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Gyro Club, P. R. Brown & Sons, Struth's and T. N. Hibben & Son.

C. P. R. SOCIAL CLUB

A large turnout is expected at the weekly military 500 game to be held on Tuesday evening in the Empress hotel under the auspices of the C.P.R. social club. Last week's game, even though it did not take place on the regular night, proved very enjoyable, and quite a few commissions were paid the committee for the splendid arrangements which made such a pleasant game possible with the regularity of noise. On Tuesday evening the game will start as usual at 8.30.

Tickets for the annual Christmas game to take place in the writing room of the Empress Hotel on Thursday, December 20, and at which turkeys are given as prizes, will be on sale at Tuesday night's game.

Pen	Owner and Address	Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	W.	T.
1	O. Thomas, Sidney	W.L.	0	2	5	2	4	6	3	0	3	5	85	130
2	P. G. Stebbings, Pender Island	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	0	0	4	23	136	
3	R. H. W. Clowes, Sidney	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	0	0	4	34	152	
4	R. Percival, Port Washington	W.W.	6	4	0	4	5	7	4	3	3	50	212	
5	R. T. Vyvyan, Saanichton	W.W.	6	4	0	4	5	7	4	3	3	50	212	
6	Eldeston Bros., Royal Oak	W.W.	6	4	0	4	5	7	4	3	3	50	212	
7	A. G. Gosselin, Albert Head	W.W.	6	4	0	4	5	7	4	3	3	50	212	
8	L. G. Hercher, Colwood	W.W.	6	4	0	4	5	7	4	3	3	50	212	
9	R. P. Matthews, Victoria	W.L.	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	37	183
10	J. S. Nelson, Sidney	W.L.	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	37	183
11	H. H. Barker, Sidney	W.L.	7	3	2	0	0	4	0	0	4	3	24	88
12	W. Robbins, Victoria	W.L.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	14	15
13	W. Bradley, Langford	W.L.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	14	15
14	G. C. Golding, Qualicum Beach	H.R.	2	3	0	0	3	7	0	0	0	2	26	74
15	E. Gwynne, Sidney	W.L.	1	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	38	137
16	J. J. McKenna, Victoria	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
17	A. Adams, Victoria	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
18	H. C. Cooke, Lake Hill	R.L.R.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	17	23
19	R. A. A. Jackson, Victoria	W.L.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	17	23
20	Dean Bros., Keating	W.W.	4	2	5	0	4	0	4	0	4	2	33	185
21	W. Russell, Victoria	W.L.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	17	23
22	H. B. Cunningham, Saanichton	W.L.	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	17	23
23	F. F. Parker, Duncan	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
24	R. McKenna, Victoria	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
25	W. J. Goss, Courtenay	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
26	W. F. Hunt, Sidney	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
27	R. A. A. Jackson, Victoria	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
28	G. C. Golding, Qualicum Beach	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
29	J. J. Douglas, Cobble Hill	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
30	Head & K. Cowichan	W.L.	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	42	207
31	Experimental Station, Sidney	W.W.	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	46	197
32	Experimental Station, Sidney	W.W.	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	46	197
33	Experimental Station, Sidney	W.W.	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	46	197
34	Experimental Station, Sidney	W.W.	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	46	197

Remarks:—Experimental Farm Pens are entered for Registration and will not compete for any prizes that may be offered.

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JUSTICE DEMANDS INVESTIGATION OF 'DOPE' CHARGES

Indignation Meeting Supports Dr. Clem Davies and Mrs. O'Brien

The Royal Commission appointed to investigate the "dope" charges against certain members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police was scored yesterday at an indignation meeting held in the Centennial Church, last night, attended by the mass meeting and Sunday services.

Dr. Clem Davies, in opening the meeting, stated that there were a number of "dope" cases in the present Mounted Police Force and that the men generally did not measure up to the standard of the Mounted Police in the past. The business of suppressing the drug traffic in British Columbia, he said, had been put in the hands of these men, and they were a new force. Few of the original members of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police remained in the body. The drug smuggling and peddling which had been carried on in this province was, and still is, a most profitable venture, and possibly there are men in the Mounted Police force, he said, who could not resist the temptation of gaining money other than their pay.

"The present force has in its midst a bunch of scoundrels and diabolical demons," concluded Dr. Davies. Mrs. James O'Brien, who has figured prominently in the investigation at Vancouver, spoke during the meeting.

She stated that there were hundreds of boys and girls addicted to dope in Vancouver and other parts of the province, and called upon the public to work hand in hand with Attorney-General Manson, and Claude L. Harrison, who have been working on the investigation for months, that the evils which threatened the race, and particularly the youth of the race, might be coped with to some extent.

"I say that this investigation should not only be applied to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, but that it should go still further," said Mrs. O'Brien, who intimated that she possessed information which might seriously incriminate persons "higher up."

"Get behind Mr. Harrison and Mr. Manson, they need your support," she urged.

Dr. Davies, speaking a second time, said: "The whole of this inquiry is rotten. Who is behind the attempted smothering of this narcotic investigation? There are huge profits to be made. Money keeps silence. But who is behind this dope ring?"

Dr. Davies did not attempt to answer these questions. He pointed out, however, that there were five lawyers acting for the defence of the R.C.M.P., and that Mr. Harrison stood alone as a man demanding the truth and an unbiased investigation.

Dr. Davies asserted that he was not satisfied with the manner in which J. P. Smith, K.C., was conducting the inquiry in Vancouver. "A practicing attorney should not conduct a commission of inquiry," he stated.

Dr. M. Raynor moved a resolution, which was adopted by the meeting unanimously, as follows: Whereas, this group of representatives of citizens of British Columbia are convinced by such authoritative information as has been presented to them regarding the narcotic drug problem in this Province, and particularly the present aspect of this problem as brought to light in the recent trial of officers and agents of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police that immediate removal of this public menace is essential to the moral health of this Province; and Whereas, this meeting firmly believes that the Royal Commission at present inquiring into the relations of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police with the "dope" traffic has consistently violated the high principles of British jurisprudence, and prejudicially failed to admit material evidence of nature damaging to the case of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and otherwise obstructing the course of justice for which it was created; therefore be it Resolved, that this meeting petition the Provincial Government of the British Columbia to require from the Federal Department of Justice the instant removal of the present Royal Commission and the creation of a new commission headed by a Judge of the Supreme or appellate court, and not a practicing lawyer, to proceed with the narcotic drug inquiry; and be it further Resolved, that by means of a copy of this instrument, this meeting request the conduct of the Hon. the Premier, Mackenzie King, Federal Minister of Justice the Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C., K.C.M.G., the Hon. J. P. Smith, K.C., and that it demand the immediate solution of the present commission and the creation of a new one; and be it further Resolved, that this meeting of responsible electors of this Province heartily and without qualification condemn the action of the Hon. J. P. Smith, K.C., and the head of the Royal Commission hearing in Vancouver as having entirely violated the ethics of his high calling, and proved himself utterly unfit for further service in the capacity of his present commission, and demand that he at once resign and relinquish his appointment in that position.

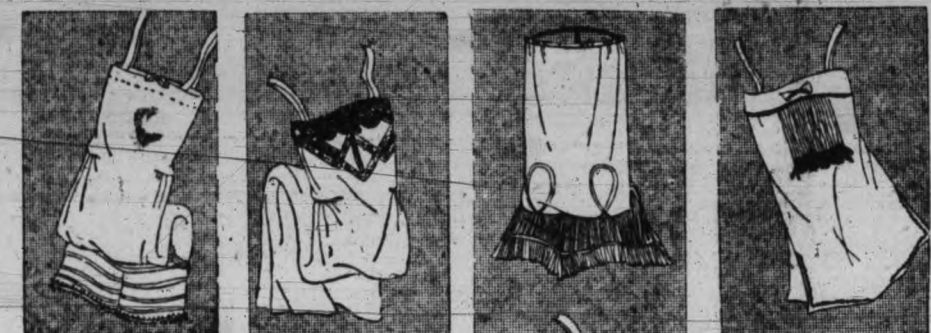
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Bro. Williamson, C.P., spoke on the History of Buffaloes. Bros. Goldsmith and Ferguson of Pride of Victoria Lodge were raised to the second degree. The Certifying Council, consisting of Bro. E. H. Bradshaw, K.O.M., Bro. R. W. Armstrong, C.P., Bro. M. J. Williamson, C.P., and Bro. C. W. Blackman, C.P., examined the candidates. During the evening songs were rendered by Bro. E. H. Bradshaw, K.O.M., entitled, "On the Road to Mandalay," City Waiter Bro. Brunell sang "My Ain Folk," and humorous songs by B. E. Atherton, C.P.

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